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A damaged Air Canada jet seen on the runway at New York's LaGuardia Airport on Monday after colliding with a firefighting vehicle after landing | AP | P17

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2 INDIAN LPG TANKERS CROSS STRAIT

Two more Indian-flagged tankers, Jag Vasant and Pine Gas, carrying 92,612.59 MT of LPG transited through the Strait of Hormuz on Monday, said the Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways. The vessels have 33 and 27 Indian seafarers onboard, respectively, and are set to reach Indian ports between March 26-28, said Rajesh Kumar Sinha, special secretary, Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways

PANIC BUYING OF PETROL IN GUJ

Several petrol pumps in Gujarat on Monday witnessed long queues of motorists after rumours about fuel shortage spread through WhatsApp and other messaging platforms, forcing the state government to step in to clarify that there is no shortage. Deputy Chief Minister Harsh Sanghavi said sufficient quantity of fuel is available in the state and appealed to citizens not to panic | **P10**

Situation worrisome, says PM

W Asia crisis to have long-term impact on global economy; India prepared to face challenges

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Monday described the escalating crisis in West Asia as "worrisome", warning of long-term global repercussions while assuring Parliament that India is prepared to safeguard critical sectors such as energy, fertilizers, and power supply.

Addressing the Lok Sabha, Modi said the conflict has already begun to weigh heavily on the global economy and hit people's livelihoods. "The current situation in West Asia is worrisome. This crisis has been going on for more than three weeks, having a very adverse impact on the global economy and on people's lives."

The PM highlighted the strategic importance of the region for India and said it meets a significant share of the country's crude oil and gas requirements and is home to one crore Indians. He added that he is in constant touch with regional leaders. "I have spoken with most of the heads of state in West Asia, and they have all assured the safety of Indians."

On the ongoing disruption in key maritime routes, Modi said the "closure of Hormuz is unacceptable". Despite challenges in cargo movement, he said the government is working to ensure minimal disruption to fuel and gas availability.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi speaks in the Lok Sabha on Monday | SANSAD TV VIA PTI

DAY 24 WAR WATCH

"In the last decade, India has prioritised storage of crude oil for times of crisis. Today, India has a strategic petroleum reserve of more than 53 lakh metric tonnes, and work is underway to create reserves of 65 lakh metric tonnes," he said, noting that long-term policy decisions are paying dividends now.

"In the last 10-11 years, unprecedented work has been done on ethanol production and blending... Today, we are close to achieving 20% ethanol blending in petrol," he said, adding this has helped India cut crude imports by 4.5 crore barrels annually.

UK SENDS DEFENCE SYSTEMS

Britain is sending short-range air defence systems to the Gulf to counter Iranian missile attacks, Prime Minister Keir Starmer said Monday. "We're deploying short range air defence systems to Bahrain, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia."

US turnaround as Trump says talks on with Iran to end war

AGENCIES @ Dubai

US President Donald Trump on Monday said the US was in talks with a "respected" Iranian leader and claimed the Islamic Republic was eager for a deal to end the war, while extending the 48-hour deadline to five days for Iran to reopen the crucial Strait of Hormuz or face attacks on its power plants.

To justify his climbdown, Trump said there were "major points of agreement" in the US-Iran talks which he said must result in Tehran giving up its nuclear ambitions.

However, Iran flatly denied holding any such negotiations with the US. Iran's foreign ministry said Trump had backed down "following Iran's firm warning".

Trump's turnaround, which held out the possibility of resolving the war now in its fourth week, served to cool oil prices. The price for a barrel of Brent crude fell 9.7% to $101.26 on Monday, down from nearly $120 at one point last week, following the news of US-Iran talks.

Amid the disruptions in the Strait, Saudi Aramco, a major oil exporter, has reportedly cut crude oil supplies to Asian buyers for a second consecutive month in April.

Meanwhile, Israel on Monday said it had "begun a wide-scale wave of strikes" on infrastructure targets in Tehran. **P17**

Draft digi policy: Limit fun screen time for kids to 1 hr

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE Karnataka government on Monday released the draft policy for responsible digital use among students, suggesting that each school frame and enforce a digital use policy in addition to constituting a Digital Wellness Committee. The policy recommends limiting recreational screen time to not more than 1 hour per day outside of schoolwork and introducing tech curfew -- all screens off one hour before bedtime.

The draft policy follows Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's budget announcement on March 6 that the government will ban social media use for children below 16.

The policy has been drafted by involving the Health and Family Welfare department, National Institute of Mental Health and Sciences (NIMHANS), department of education, 60 professionals from education institutions and university representatives, parent representatives and cyber crime department. **P4**

T'gana seeks pay cut for staff neglecting parents

MANDA RAVINDER REDDY @ Hyderabad

THE Telangana Cabinet on Monday cleared a Bill that proposes to deduct up to 15% of the salary of both public and private sector employees who fail to take care of their elderly parents.

Under the proposed Parents Support Bill, if any public representative, government or private employee is found not taking care of their elderly parents, 15% of their salary or ₹10,000 (whichever is lower) will be deducted and given to their parents as financial support.

Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy had earlier indicated that the government was considering deducting salaries of government employees for parental neglect. But the inclusion of private employees in the Bill comes as a surprise.

The Cabinet also cleared the "Telangana Hate Speech and Hate Crime Prevention Bill, 2026", on the lines of a law enacted by the Karnataka government. The Bill seeks to curb social media posts, speeches, and actions that disturb communal harmony or incite violence, riots, and conflicts in the state.

EXPRESS READ

Assembly passes Bill to bring back ballot papers

Bengaluru: The Legislative Assembly on Monday passed the Karnataka Grama Swaraj and Panchayat Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2026, that seeks to replace Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) with ballot papers in gram panchayat, taluk panchayat and zilla panchayat elections | **P4**

Couple held for cheating job seekers of ₹23 crore

Bengaluru: The Central Crime Branch (CCB) arrested a couple for allegedly cheating over 100 job seekers of around Rs 25 crore. Jason D'Souza (39) and Lavina (36) allegedly collected money from the victims after promising them jobs in various departments of the Union and state governments | **P3**

Right to life applies to foreigners too, says SC

New Delhi: The Supreme Court said the right to life under Article 21 of the Constitution applies to foreigners as well. A bench made the observation while ordering release of a Ugandan woman who was languishing in jail, despite getting bail in a drug case as she could not give "solvent surety" | **P9**

4 DEAD IN PRAYAGRAJ COLD STORAGE COLLAPSE

The incident, in which 12 were injured, triggered panic as ammonia gas began leaking from the facility

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- **Nakshatra:** Rohini 7.07 pm • Moon in Mithuna Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 03:00 am to 04:30 am
- **Gulikakala:** 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm • **Yamaganda:** 09:00 am to 10:30 am

WEATHER
MIN 19°C | MAX 32°C
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Sunrise 06.24 am
Sunset 06.30 pm
Moonrise 10.25 am
Moonset 11.55 pm

ELECTION EXODUS

NEW YEAR, POLL FESTIVAL TO DELIVER DOUBLE WHAMMY

City's informal workforce mostly consists of migrants from Bengal, TN, Kerala, Assam, Puducherry

MOHAMMED YACOOB @ Bengaluru

REGIONAL new year festivities, along with the festival of democracy, are threatening to upend the construction and hotel sectors in IT capital Bengaluru, and other parts of Karnataka, through the month of April. With the Election Commission setting the poll calendar for West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Assam and Puducherry, these sectors are likely to take a beating as a large chunk of voters from these states would leave Bengaluru.

According to representatives from a Tamil association in Bengaluru, Karnataka has around 80 lakh Tamilians, and lakhs travel to Tamil Nadu during elections to cast votes. "About 30 per cent of these Tamilians vote in Tamil Nadu but are settled in Bengaluru and other districts. Many are here only for livelihood in small hotels and construction. With the Tamil New Year falling on April 14 and poll date on April 23, construction and hotel workers and others will be on leave, and industries dependent on them will take a hit," said Ko Damodharan, president, Bengaluru Tamil Sangam.

Similarly, there are over 16 lakh Bengali migrants in Karnataka, and those engaged in construction work have already left the city as an election is not just serious work, but good business for them. "A majority of them will leave for Pohela Bhoishak, the Bengal New Year on April 15, and elections slated on April 23 and 29," said Rudra Shankar Roy, philanthropist and patron of many Bengali associations. With the hotel industry facing LPG supply issues, some workers have already left the city.

Pic for representative purpose

With a voting population of nearly 4 lakh, migrant workers from Assam are pleading with the Assam Society of Bengaluru to request the government to deploy special trains as all running trains are booked out due to Bihu, the Assamese New Year falling on April 14. With polling on April 9, a majority of students and workers will start leaving Bengaluru in the first week of April. "Many of our boys are in the construction field, and some are students. With the festival and elections, many are leaving by train. Hope the government considers our request for a special train," said Dheeraj Talukdar, adviser, Assam Society of Bengaluru. The community is spread across Electronics City, Hebbal and surroundings.

Karnataka is home to a Keralite population of over 18 lakh; while over 10 lakh are permanent residents, around 3 lakh students and workers are expected to leave in the first week of April, with polling day on April 9. With Vishu, the Malayali New Year, falling on April 15, it will be an extended vacation for the workers. Hotels and stalls near colleges dominated by Malayali students will be hit hard due to dull business.

Migrants leaving B'luru to Bengal to cast votes will hit construction sector

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru:

A mass exodus of migrant labourers to West Bengal has begun from Bengaluru and Karnataka, and is likely to severely impact the construction sector. The workers are rushing to their home state for the upcoming elections, with voting on April 23 and 29, amid fears of potential loss of welfare benefits.

Their departure follows a political directive attributed to West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee, urging migrant workers to return home to cast their votes. Many labourers reportedly fear that abstaining from voting could lead to cancellation of essential entitlements, including ration cards and other welfare schemes.

Industry sources say the migration gained momentum in recent days, with workers leaving in large numbers. The departures come at a sensitive time for Bengaluru's infrastructure and real estate development, which depend on a steady influx of migrant labour. The construction industry, which relies heavily on skilled labour from West Bengal, particularly for specialized tasks such as tile laying, woodwork and other craftsmanship, is facing significant disruptions. Ongoing projects are already seeing delays.

Suresh Hari, past chairman of CREDAI Bangalore, described the situation as a challenge. "The construction industry is coping with many challenges. First there was the revised guidance rate, then came the labour court issue. Now it is a labour exodus. There is a lot of specialized labour from West Bengal when it comes to tile laying and carpentry, and their departure will lead to a slowdown, till maybe May-end," he said.

Representatives from related industries are concerned about temporary setbacks. Ravindra Shetty, president of the crusher industry, noted that filtration of voters is going on and these hiccups are not unexpected.

The owner in a crushing unit told TNIE that the impact would be short-lived in most cases. "These labourers will return in two to three weeks, and until then there will be a slowdown. Some industries which exclusively employ Bengali labour may have to shut shop for two or three weeks," he added. FKCCI president Uma Reddy said, "As a general trend, the labourers go for freebies and also to support their party. This trend is common during state elections."

COUNTDOWN BEGINS

Karnataka State Cricket Association president Venkatesh Prasad inspects infrastructural improvements, including widened entry gates, at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium on Monday, ahead of the Indian Premier League 2026 matches. Royal Challengers Bengaluru's first match of the IPL season will be played at the stadium on March 28 | EXPRESS

Corpns to acquire properties of chronic tax defaulters

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AFTER exhausting all venues of recovering property tax arrears, city corporations will now acquire the properties of chronic defaulters as a last-resort recovery measure. If the notices, attachments and auctions fail, the properties will be purchased at upset prices, with dues adjusted and the surplus refunded. Before this, however, defaulters will get a final one-month window to clear arrears before the property takeover, aimed at improving revenue recovery and compliance.

According to Greater Bengaluru Authority Special Commissioner (Revenue) Munish Moudgil, the step will be invoked only after all statutory procedures have been exhausted. These include issuing demand notices, attaching properties and conducting multiple public auctions.

In exceptional circumstances, like when cases remain unresolved due to continued non-payment and lack of bidder participation, city corporations will purchase the defaulted properties at a pre-determined upset price linked to the guidance value. This measure ensures that long-pending dues are recovered while maintaining procedural fairness, he said.

Moudgil said under the mechanism, the sale proceeds will first be used to clear all outstanding property tax dues, including penalties, interest and administrative expenses. Any surplus amount remaining after adjustment will be refunded to the original property owner through bank transfer.

Once acquired, the property will vest with the city corporation free of encumbrances, and ownership records will be updated accordingly, the official said.

Authorities stressed that even at this stage, defaulters will be given a final one-month window to clear all pending dues with applicable interest. If payment is made within this period, the takeover order will be withdrawn and the property restored to the owner.

Issuing a public advisory, the authority urged citizens to promptly clear their property tax dues to avoid coercive measures. The move, officials said, aims to improve municipal revenue collection, enforce fiscal discipline and ensure fairness among compliant taxpayers.

As monsoon clock ticks, GBA races against time to desilt lakes

RASHMI PATIL @Bengaluru

THE Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) has assured residents that areas like Manyata Tech Park, Sai Layout, Outer Ring Road and Vaddarapalya in Horamavu will not face flooding this monsoon. This is because the desilting of Hebbal and Nagawara lakes, which used to overflow during the rainy season, is expected to be completed by April-end.

"The desilting process has been undertaken specially to reduce flooding in surrounding areas of the water bodies. Earlier, both these lakes used to overflow during the monsoon, flooding surrounding roads and residential areas," M Maheshwar Rao, Chief Commissioner, GBA, told *TNIE*.

Ahead of the rainy season, desilting work has picked up pace at Hebbal Lake

A senior official from the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) stated that they are racing against time to complete the desilting and restoration of Hebbal lake which is spread across over 180 acres. "More than eight bulldozers have been deployed to clear tonnes of silt deposited in the lake bed for years. We aim to complete the desilting of the lake by the end of April. Around Rs 20 crores have been allocated for desilting, pitching bunds and restoration of wetland," the official said.

Currently, the unit has been able to clear 10 acres of encroachment by the Fisheries Research and Information Centre on the lake survey number 37 of Hebbala village near Kodigenahalli.

A ground visit by *TNIE* also found that the forest department and Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has encroached on the lake. While KPTCL has installed heavy power lines in survey number 37, KFD has established a nursery on 8.20 guntas in survey number 38, right beside the large storm waterdrain flowing all the way from RT Nagar.

Asked about the encroachments, the official said, "KPTCL has already paid funds to GBA to establish the lines. But we will conduct a survey on where these power lines connect and how they are utilised. Hence, we are yet to decide if we have to build a separate fencing for this power transmission established in the lake. Regarding the forest department, we will issue a notice asking them to clear the nursery soon."

Nagawara Lake, located a few kilometers away from Hebbal, is being restored at a cost of Rs 18 crore. "Around 1 lakh cubic metres of sediment is being removed to increase the depth for storing water. Since the lake has a small single inlet bringing storm water from Hebbal and RT Nagar, we are building a bigger inlet and silt trap around the lake," the official said.

EXPRESS READ

BNCC sets April 20 deadline for Jakkur rly bridge work

Bengaluru: The Bengaluru North City Corporation has directed officials and contractors to expedite work on the Jakkur Railway Bridge, warning of penalties if deadlines are not met. During an inspection, Commissioner Pommala Sunil Kumar reviewed the progress of the project, assessed pending works and examined technical challenges at the site. Expressing displeasure over delays, he pulled up both the contractor and officials for failing to complete the project within the stipulated timeline. Kumar instructed that the bridge work must be completed by April 20 and warned that penalties would be imposed on the contractor if the deadline is missed. He emphasised the need for coordinated efforts to avoid further delays and ensure timely completion. **ENS**

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

24th March : Social Tips from a Gemini Moon Speaking and listening can involve the same parts of the brain, which is why it's hard to process the information you're hearing while simultaneously coming up with what you'll say next. It's like trying to throw and catch with the same hand at the same time. It takes patience to stay ready to "catch" until you've learned. Once you learn, you'll have something relevant to "throw."

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
The secret to keeping your brightness is not filling every hour with responsibility. You need time to explore, to play, to follow a random curiosity just because it delights you. Silliness and fun count for a lot today.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)
Some listen to learn; others listen to respond. They skim the surface, get a general idea of the content and start formulating their response. Avoid these types of people today.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)
When others listen to you, it gives you a chance to listen to yourself. Today, it will be surprising what you learn in that regard. Sometimes we can't understand personal truths until we hear ourselves say them.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
It's dangerous to get too accustomed to validation arriving on a predictable schedule. Reliable praise and attention can actually hurt your development. The superstar move is to care less about reception and more about your mission.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
Today, you're hyperattuned, tracking several streams at once. You'll pay attention to your own presentation, another person's micro-signals and the broader social field -- and when you notice tiny flickers of interest, that's a strength to lean into.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
There's someone you're keen to learn more about. You're interested in what happened to them, but you're even more interested in how they experienced what happened. Sharing on that level will build bonds.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
Follow the tradition today. You can save time by doing it the way it's always been done. Later, you can figure out the twist -- the improvement, the original take. But today, there's nothing that needs to be changed, only appreciated.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
Though it hasn't been all roses for you, what makes you special isn't martyrdom. It's consciousness. You are watching yourself in real time and trying to adjust wisely instead of reacting blindly to all that's happening -- and there's a lot happening.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
Your biggest competitor won't be a stranger from the other team. It will be someone on your own side, or maybe even someone you used to be or plan to be. You'll deal with this person and move forward.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
You may have taken it for granted that you enjoyed certain activities simply because they filled your time. But pause to ask: How did you get here? Strong influences were involved. New awareness lets you choose more intentionally.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
In an uncertain world, certainty is a popular craving, and you're feeling it today. Those who can create an illusion of certainty (all certainty is illusive) have a special draw for you now, even though you're well aware this confidence may be more of an attitude than a reality.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
Adventures aren't always a whole expedition. Quests aren't always passionate and all-consuming. You'll get a surge of vitality from drops of novelty, such as a new route, a new question or a new way of saying something familiar.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle ⬇

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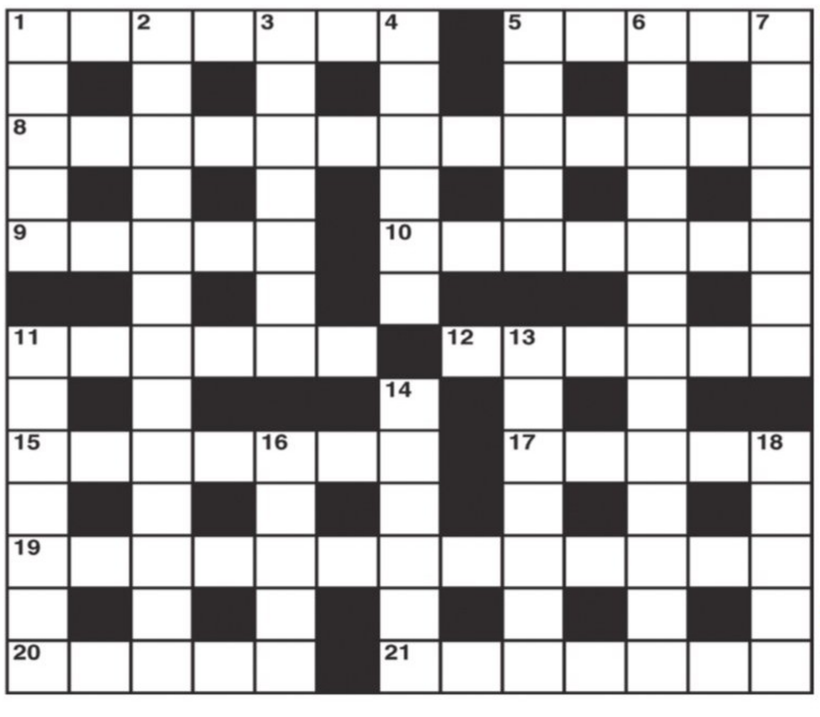

CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Jettison a mouldy cargo (3-4)
5 Quote about a lady's hat (5)
8 Act altruistically but lose control (6,7)
9 Bring up a matter of higher wages (5)
10 Like hell cats in a melee (7)
11 Just puts a point on blunt end (6)
12 Wanders aimlessly in the snow? (6)
15 Is stout perhaps, so doesn't dance (4,3)
17 The prospects for new wives (5)
19 Release after confession without charge (9,4)
20 See as new comforts (5)
21 He was invited we hear and gave an estimate (7)

DOWN
1 Tender proposal (5)
2 They're likely to get stuck abroad (7,6)
3 No sense spoiling unanimity (7)
4 Words get muddled at end of day when tired (6)
5 The measure not taken with permission (5)
6 Do all card players fall for her? (5,2,6)
7 Carries out personal property (7)
11 Captive may be shot a long time afterwards (7)
13 Regret being about to level out income (7)
14 The way to loop cord (6)
16 A spot of refreshment (5)
18 The going rate for a drug (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Treat, 8 Bankrupt, 9 Essen, 10 Simplify, 11 Edict, 12 Gas, 16 Camera, 17 Amuses, 18 Pad, 23 Entry, 24 New issue, 25 Miami, 26 Anecdote, 27 Jenny.

Down: 2 Residual, 3 Agencies, 4 Patina, 5 Skips, 6 Cubit, 7 Stays, 12 Gap, 13 Sad, 14 Turnpike, 15 Ferryman, 19 Adults, 20 Knead, 21 Owner, 22 Aside.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: BUNNY PRIZE DREDGE GIGGLE
Answer: When the pine trees traded sarcastic remarks, the result was — NEEDLING

Karnataka Congress MLC K Shivakumar has called for inclusion of journalists in state pension schemes and other welfare measures, including housing benefits, highlighting the hardships faced by retired media professionals. He said the pension system has "vague and unnecessary conditional" clauses

Couple cheats 100 job seekers of ₹23cr, held

They collected Rs 10 lakh to Rs 25 lakh from each victim promising D group jobs in Central and state governments

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

SLEUTHS of the Central Crime Branch (CCB) have arrested a couple for allegedly cheating over 100 job seekers of around Rs 25 crore.

The accused have been identified as Jason D'Souza, 39, and Lavina, 36. They collected money from the victims after promising them jobs in various departments of the Union and state governments. They also promised the victims of helping them with jobs in various courts in the state.

The couple reportedly had a network of agents who used to collect money from the victims. After promising D group jobs in various courts, the couple collected between Rs 10 lakh and Rs 25 lakh from each job aspirant. They showed fake appointment letters with signatures of officials in the judiciary, including some judges.

Verification of documents of the victims were done at lodges. After verification of documents, those selected were taken to court complexes, claiming that they would be working there.

Lavina and Jason D'Souza

During verification, the accused showed fake offer letters to the victims. When the victims sought offer letters, the accused would give them evasive replies. After collecting money from the victims, they would disappear.

The victims filed complaints at Basaveshwaranagar and other police stations in the city. All cases were transferred to the CCB for investigation.

D'Souza and Lavina were arrested two years ago in a similar case. After their release on bail, they resumed their fraudulent activity. Manjunath, a victim, said that he paid Rs 13.5 lakh to the couple for a second division assistant's job in a city court.

"The accused took me and others to the third floor of the court building, claiming that we will work there. They also showed us fake offer letters with the signatures of some judges," he said.

Nagaraj, another victim, said D'Souza spoke to him over the phone, promising SDA, processor and other Group D jobs in courts.

"The accused have been active since 2023. They might have cheated over 100 job seekers. In 2025, a cheating case was registered against them in Gadag," a police officer said.

EXPRESS READ

Woman killed, body thrown in garbage dump

Bengaluru: A 50-year-old woman was bludgeoned to death and her body dumped in a garbage heap in Kengeri. The deceased has been identified as Kempamma, a resident of Madeshwara block in Valagerahalli and a native of Mandya. Passersby alerted the police about the body found behind the Mylasandra bus stand near the Valagerahalli BDA apartments on the Kengeri Satellite Town Main Road. The police are checking if the accused killed her elsewhere and dumped it in the garbage heap. Based on her Aadhaar card details, the police contacted her family and informed them about the murder. The Kengeri police have registered a case. **ENS**

RICKY RAI GETS BAIL IN LAMBO 'DONUT' CASE

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

RICKY Rai, son of reformed underworld don late Muthappa Rai, was granted bail on Monday by a city traffic court in connection with the Lamborghini drifting case.

The Cubbon Park traffic police had served two notices to Ricky on Sunday asking him to appear before the inspector. Ricky reportedly failed to respond to the notices. The police again on Monday were about to issue another notice. If Ricky had not responded even to the third notice, the police would have approached the court seeking further directions. Fearing arrest after not responding to the notices, Ricky moved the court for bail.

The court granted bail subject to a bond of Rs one lakh and a surety. Ricky obtained the bail after personally appearing before the Metropolitan Magistrate Traffic Court V on Nrupathunga Road. "Despite Ricky getting bail, he has to appear before the inspector and give his statements as there is no clarity on the car's ownership details. Multiple CCTVs from Anil Kumble Junction till Ricky's residence in Sadashivanagar shows that he was the one who was drifting the sports car while other vehicles were present, posing a safety risk," said an officer.

The Lamborghini, bearing the registration number KA 05 NR 0009, was spotted doing donuts at Anil Kumble Circle between 2 am and 3 am on Saturday. The video was tagged to the city traffic police. The police on Saturday registered a suo moto case.

A case of rash driving on a public way under section 281 of the BNS was registered against an unknown car owner.

Ricky was not driving Lambo, says advocate

Ricky's advocate Narayanaswamy told the media that Ricky was not driving the car.

"Ricky had come to Bengaluru from Russia just a few days back and had taken his driver to bring the car from the workshop. As the driver applied the brakes suddenly, the car drifted. It was not done intentionally. Even the driver got bail along with Ricky in the case. The car has all the required documents and the same has been submitted to the court," the advocate said.

Meanwhile, sources in the transport department said Ricky had paid Rs 35 lakh to change the car's registration number from Delhi to Bengaluru South RTO. The fees for re-registration is said to have been paid on Monday at the Bengaluru South RTO office. It is said that the car's colour has also been changed from white.

ON MYSURU EXPRESSWAY

Four killed as Kerala bus jumps median, hits fence

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FOUR passengers travelling in a private bus from Kozhikode in Kerala to Bengaluru, died in an accident at Sankalagere near Channapatna, on the Bengaluru-Mysuru access controlled highway in the early hours of Monday. Two passengers sustained severe injuries.

The bus driver is suspected to have dozed off. After jumping the median, the bus crossed the other side of the road and crashed into the iron fencing.

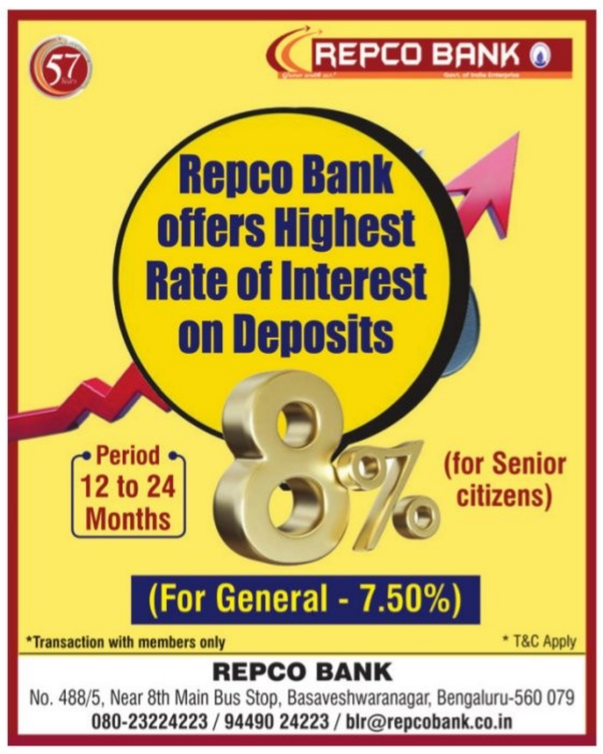
The deceased are identified as M Mohammed Faran (22) from Kozhikode in Kerala; U Rasheed (45), from Journalist Colony in Kalasipalya; Sakir Siddique (27) from Anepalya Main Road in Adugodi; and Zulfi (45) from Puducherry.

Among the four, two died on the spot while the other two died enroute to hospital. The bodies were shifted to a nearby government hospital mortuary for postmortem.

The bus, belonging to Kerala-based PK Travels, was headed to Bengaluru. The incident happened around 4.10am near Puttappanadoddi at Sankalagere. The driver, identified as Rishad Razak (29) from Malappuram in Kerala, lost control as he was drowsy. The impact dragged the bus for nearly 50m, and completely damaged its front portion. Although the driver initially claimed he had swerved the bus to avoid an oncoming vehicle, CCTV footage later confirmed driver fatigue as the primary cause of the accident.

The Channapatna traffic police have registered a case against the driver and taken him into custody.

Two passengers, P Abdul (19) and Alan Francis (18), both from Kannur in Kerala, sustained serious injuries. Around 36 passengers had booked the seats.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Notice is hereby given to the general public and all concerned that Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme, who was a partner of M/s. Housso Ventures (hereinafter referred to as **"Firm"**), having its registered place of business at No.303, Prime Honey Dew Apartments, Next to Chaya Hospitals, Kasturi Nagar, Bengaluru-560043, has been expelled from the Partnership Firm with immediate effect pursuant to a unanimous resolution passed at the meeting of the partners of the Firm held at the registered office on 2nd February, 2026 at 11:00 A.M.

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"With our government's pro-people programmes and the contributions of Shamanur Shivashankarappa to the region, people will ensure the victory of Congress candidate Samarth in the Davanagere South bypoll." Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar said on Monday

ASSEMBLY PASSES BILL TO RETURN TO BALLOT IN LOCAL BODY POLLS

Opposition walks out, calling move regressive, LoP Ashoka tears copy of Bill | Priyank defends decision, says trust in EVMs has been decreasing in recent times

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka Assembly on Monday passed The Karnataka Gram Swaraj and Panchayat Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2026, to replace Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) with ballot papers to conduct elections to rural local bodies amid legislators from the Opposition BJP and JDS staging a walkout, calling the move regressive. LoP R Ashoka even tore a copy of the Bill before exiting the House.

Once it becomes an Act, the polls to local bodies will be conducted using the electoral list prepared by the State Election Commission (SEC) and not the electoral list of the Election Commission of India (ECI) prepared to conduct Assembly and Lok Sabha polls.

BJP MLAs accused the Ruling Congress in the state of conspiring to misuse government machinery to win elections by rigging.

The Bill seeks to replace EVMs with ballot papers in gram, taluk and zilla panchayat elections, with the State Government arguing that the move is aimed at restoring transparency and public confidence in the electoral process.

Hitting out at the Bill, LoP Ashoka said, "The Congress MLAs, who have won polls through EVMs, do not deserve to be in the House." He and other Opposition members later staged a walkout demanding that the Bill be withdrawn. The Bill was passed by a voice vote.

Earlier, defending the Bill, RDPR and IT/BT Minister Priyank Kharge said, "The principle of secrecy of the ballot is the cornerstone of free and fair elections." He said that trust in EVMs has been decreasing in recent times and hence the need to return to the ballot system. Further, he said the poll body has no answers to the questions posed by several sections of society. He added that several states continue to hold panchayat polls using ballot papers.

In Maharashtra, Haryana, and Jammu Kashmir Assembly polls, there was an abnormal rise in polling after 5 pm, Priyank said, pointing out a significant mismatch of votes polled and counted, adding that the credibility of EVMs was in question. "Under Article 326 of the Constitution, it guarantees us the Right to Vote. Elections must be transparent, free, and fair," he said.

"In UP's Mathura, the votes polled were 10,88,706, and the votes counted were 10,98,112... the difference was 9,906. Not only Congress, but others too had also sought a clarification from the ECI. But the poll body did not reply," he said. As 100% counting of VVPAT (Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail) slips cannot be done, the Karnataka government has decided to conduct polls to rural local bodies through ballots instead of EVMs, the minister added.

Hitting back, Ashoka said Karnataka, considered a technology hub and progressive state, should be a role model to other states. "It was the Congress at the Centre under former PM Rajiv Gandhi that introduced EVMs with wisdom. Many elections have been conducted through EVMs, and the Supreme Court, which dealt with the cases against its use, has ordered that the EVMs are foolproof and elections can be conducted with them," Ashoka said."The Congress won 136 seats in the 2023 Assembly polls in Karnataka, but lost the Lok Sabha polls miserably. Instead of finding out the reasons for the defeat, the Congress is blaming the EVMs," he said.

Interestingly, the Bill claimed that there is no extra expenditure involved in the proposed legislative measure, which the Opposition parties objected to. Replying, Priyank and Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister HK Patil clarified that it may involve expenditure.

Visitors watch the proceedings of the Assembly in Vidhana Soudha on Monday

> **Congress MLAs, who have won polls through EVMs, do not deserve to be in the House** — R Ashoka, Leader of Opposition in Assembly

If tax paid, bizman deemed to have furnished returns: New amendment

The Assembly on Monday passed the Karnataka Tax on Profession, Trades, Callings and Employments (Amendment) Bill, 2026, to streamline tax administration and improve voluntary compliance. It will come into effect from April 1. The new Act will consider every enrolled person who has paid the tax as having filed the return for that year. The commissioner may also exempt any enrolled persons from furnishing the return. The original 1976 Act provided for levy of tax on professions. As per the existing provisions, every enrolled person is required to furnish a return, even when he/she has paid the maximum tax. The new amendment will empower the commissioner to exempt specified classes of enrolled persons from furnishing returns. The Assembly also passed the Karnataka Jnana Bhandar Manuscripts and Digitisation Bill, 2026 to provide for the survey, documentation, conservation, digitisation, research, publication and public access of manuscripts by establishing the Karnataka Manuscripts Authority.

Eva Nammava Bill to check 'honour killings' gets House nod

ENS @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka Assembly on Monday passed the Eva Nammava Eva Nammava Bill, 2026 — The Karnataka Freedom of Choice in Marriage and Prevention and Prohibition of Crimes, to give protection to inter-caste married couples and stringent punishment to those who harm or kill them.

Those who violate the new Act will face rigorous imprisonment for five years. Social and economic boycott of vulnerable families and performing rituals like 'tithi' (death ceremony) of individuals who marry outside their caste, is prohibited. DCs and district magistrates will set up 'Eva Nammava Vedike' — a platform to solemnise marriages with official representatives.

The Act came into being after a pregnant Lingayat woman, Manya Patil, was allegedly killed by her relatives for marrying a Dalit man, Vivekananda, in December 2025. "The values preached by 12th century revolutionary Basavanna that all are equal, are not being practiced in true spirit, which is why a new law is necessitated to give protection to vulnerable people," Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister HK Patil substantiated.

Replying to LoP R Ashoka's queries, Patil clarified that it is not only murder of the couple for which there is provision for punishment in the BNS, but human rights and protection of the vulnerable are incorporated. "There is no provision in the Act to acknowledge live-in relationships. The married couple must also lead a marital life," he clarified, replying to concerns of senior BJP MLA S Suresh Kumar. The Bill provides freedom of choice in marriage, and prevention and prohibition of caste-based crimes, prevent violation of human rights, bring honour to inter-caste marriage, and prevent enforced caste-based discrimination in individual choices.

DIGI DANGERS

Norms for mobile usage by U-16s soon, says Bangarappa

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

PRIMARY and Secondary Education Minister Madhu Bangarappa on Monday told the House that the government will frame comprehensive guidelines to regulate the usage of mobile phones and social media by students below 16 years of age. He said the policy would be presented for discussion in the next Council.

Replying to the concerns raised by Opposition MLCs Prathap Simha Nayak and TN Javarayi Gowda that mobile addiction among school and college students has reached alarming levels, with some even attempting suicide, the minister said. "The Karnataka government was the first in India to propose a ban on mobile usage by children below 16 years," he said.

He said the government is studying the restrictions imposed in other countries, and inputs will be taken from international child organisations before the policy is framed.

The minister said parents' consent is also required before imposing any restriction. "We can't abruptly restrict mobile usage as they are widely used for communication by children. They may still access them secretely. We will come up with a law to impose restrictions," he said.

Bangarappa told the House that there is already a ban on mobile phones in schools, but has not been implemented. "While we admit that mobiles are useful for children, the concern is that they are exposed to harmful content," he said.

Secondary Education Minister Madhu Bangarappa makes a point in the Assembly in Vidhana Soudha on Monday

WHAT IT SAYS...

- Allocate time for tech-free periods in the timetable
- Celebrate Digital Detox Weeks or Offline Joy Days at least once per term
- To identify those at risk, using peer dissuasions with students in higher classes to discuss tech addiction and cyberbullying, having some contracts like 'I monitor U, U monitor me'
- Introduce extra playtime, one-on-one time, storytelling, or choosing a family activity
- -Help parents create a daily tech schedule, including defined screen time limits as per age

5C FRAMEWORK

Introducing the psychological model: Craving, Control, Compulsion, Coping, and Consequences, to understand addictive patterns in tech use

TYPES OF TECH USE

The draft policy highlighted various forms of tech overuse among school-aged children, including gaming, social media, streaming, and smartphone dependence.

'Training teachers will help identify red flags on tech overuse'

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UNDER the policy, which has to be compulsorily implemented, schools have to come up with protocols against cyberbullying or digital misconduct and list out the role of teachers in moderating digital exposure and counselling students on safe digital use. It suggested that a national digital health mission should be created to monitor and provide framework for healthy use of technology and encourage schools to adopt traditional methods of communication instead of direct WhatsApp contact with students, and implement a 'Diary system' for communication.

With the digital wellness committee -- which will include principal or vice-principal, counsellor or mental health professional, designated teachers, parent representative, student representative and cyber crime police officers — schools are advised to collaborate with digital technology and media industries for ethical content development, and a certified age limit for digital media use.

The police suggested developing age-appropriate phones/devices for children and OS updates for devices as they grow older and developing a special 'child plan' for phones with audio-only options and stopping data use by 7 pm.

Schools are expected to maintain a confidential log of referrals to the counsellor and ensure that cases of cyberbullying or online harm are addressed with urgency and care. Students are encouraged to report any threatening or suspicious online behaviour to a trusted adult or school counsellor. The policy encourages creating awareness among children to reach out to Tele Manas -14416 for counselling.

The policy is not limited to schools, but can be embedded into teachers' training programmes for digital detox. Training teachers will help identify red flags on tech overuse among students. The training for teachers can be organised by schools inviting experts from NIMHANS, it suggested.

Parents are advised to facilitate more peer interactions and conversations without screens via offline play, group reading sessions etc. Parents must be educated to talk regularly about who their children interact with online, what apps or platforms they use, the importance of not sharing photos and other important details.

Before introducing technology to a child, parents must set a timer, a profile for kids to use, and review the content regularly, it suggested. The draft policy has been uploaded on the health department's official website, inviting public opinion.

Satish: Dynastic politics not limited to GOP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Belagavi

RESPONDING to criticisms of continued dynastic politics in the Congress ahead of bypolls in the state, Public Works Minister **Satish Jarkiholi** has said that the phenomenon exists across all parties. "It is not limited to Congress. Every party has elements of family politics. Ultimately, parties are compelled to field winnable candidates," Satish said.

Backing the Congress high command's decision, Satish expressed confidence that Umesh Meti would secure a comfortable victory in the upcoming bypoll to the Bagalkot Assembly constituency. He said the party cadre and the public had strongly expected a ticket for Meti, and the high command had responded accordingly.

"The Meti family enjoys immense respect among the people of Bagalkot. We have been working on the ground for the past two months, and there is no difficulty in ensuring his victory," he said. minister said he would actively campaign for Meti and also participate in canvassing in Davanagere, though Bagalkot would remain his primary focus.

I'm confident Cong will win both bypolls: CM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Davanagere

"PEOPLE have faith in Congress, as we keep our word. We are confident of winning the two by-elections to Davanagere South and Bagalkot," said Chief Minister Siddaramaiah here on Monday.

After accompanying Congress candidate from the Davanagere South Assembly constituency Samarth Shamanur, he said, "Shamanur Shivashankarappa (Samarth's grandfather) was a six-time MLA from Davanagere South. His son, SS Mallikarjun, who is a minister, has been elected twice. Congress is strong in Davanagere South as Shamanur Shivashankarappa did a lot of development projects as a minister, MP and MLA, which is sufficient for the Congress candidate's victory."

He said that as per Congress' tradition, where tickets are given to the family of the deceased leader, the party has asked Samarth to contest. Also, what will ensure his victory is the effective implementation of guarantee schemes in the constituency. "Congress has partially fulfilled the promises made before the elections. If one looks at the budget, it is clear that we do what we say," he said.

"In the last by-elections in Shiggaon, Channapatna and Sandur constituencies, we won by a huge margin. In Channapatna, by 25,000 votes, in Sandur 9,000 and Shiggaon 12,000 votes. This clearly indicates that we are winning the two by-elections," he said.

Siddaramaiah also said he will take part in the election campaign from April.

On BJP's claim that the by-elections are a compass to BJP's victory in 2028, he said that by-elections were held in the past too, but Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy's son Nikhil Kumaraswamy lost in Channapatna and former chief minister Basavaraj Bommai's son lost in Shiggaon. Asked whether Congress is encouraging family politics, he said, "No. The candidate chosen unanimously by party workers has been fielded."

Congress candidate for Bagalkot bypoll Umesh Meti flanked by CM Siddaramaiah and DCM DK Shivakumar after filing his papers on Monday | EXPRESS

39 candidates files papers in Davanagere South seat

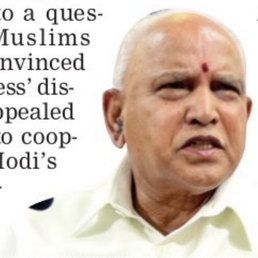
As many as 39 candidates have filed 45 nominations for the Davanagere South bypoll. Voting will be held on April 9 and the counting on May 4.

BSY appeals to voters to teach Congress a lesson

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Davanagere

FORMER chief minister and BJP strongman **BS Yediyurappa** on Monday said the BJP will win by a big margin in both the assembly constituencies where byelections are being held. He told the media here that people are tired of misgovernance by the Congress. "They have a majority that is enough to make them sick. The people of the state, who are eager to bring about change, will join hands with BJP in teaching the Congress a fitting lesson," Yediyurappa said.

Replying to a question that Muslims have been convinced of the Congress' disloyalty, he appealed to Muslims to cooperate with Modi's administration.



Meanwhile, with tickets for Davanagere South assembly bypoll being announced, dissidence became visible in the Congress with some Muslim youths joining the BJP on Sunday night. More than 20 minority and youth leaders moved to the BJP after the Congress failed to give the ticket to a Muslim leader. They joined the BJP in the presence of candidate Srinivas T Daskariyappa. They have also promised to bring more minorities into the BJP in the coming days. They pledged to work together and defeat Congress candidate.

Trouble for Cong?

Angry after their demands for the Congress ticket were ignored, Muslim leaders warned they will teach the Congress a lesson, and filed their nominations en masse on Monday.

BAGALKOT BYPOLL

UMESH METI FILES PAPERS, SIDDU, DKS ACCOMPANY HIM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bagalkot

KARNATAKA Chief Minister Siddaramaiah made an emotional appeal to the voters of Bagalkot Assembly constituency during the nomination of Congress candidate Umesh Meti on Monday, urging them to ensure the latter's victory so that the soul of late HY Meti finds peace.

Siddaramaiah said that the Meti family had unanimously supported the party's decision of fielding Umesh.

Referring to Umesh as a "beloved son", Siddaramaiah said it was the responsibility of the people to ensure his victory. He reiterated that Congress believes in taking all castes and religions together and fulfilling promises made to the people.

The CM criticised the BJP for lacking development initiatives during its tenure and accused it of indulging in politics in the name of religion. He said several key projects, including the proposed medical college, were initiated due to the efforts of HY Meti. "People should vote based on development," he said, adding that even BJP supporters were benefiting from the Congress government's guarantee schemes.

Siddaramaiah also announced that he would stay in Bagalkot for four days to campaign extensively across villages and wards.

Meanwhile, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar said the bypoll is a contest between "truth and lies" and "faith and disbelief," expressing confidence in a Congress win.

Speaking at a public meeting, he said the government had fulfilled its promises and implemented the guarantees. He alleged that the previous BJP government had failed to establish a government medical college in the region despite demand, while the Congress had revived the project.

Shivakumar said the party had given the ticket to Umesh after consultations and a booth-level survey, and added that more leaders from the BJP were likely to join the Congress.

Mysuru City and District Authorised Nandini Milk Vendors Association president Kumar, alleged on Monday that over 800 Nandini milk parlours operating in Mysuru city are slowly losing customers due to the heavy discounts offered by online food delivery platforms. He urged the government to stop private companies from delivering Nandini products

KALABURAGI BENCH JUDGMENT

HC raises alarm over 'systemic delay' in filing govt appeals

Chief secretary must put in place monitoring mechanism across departments, say judges

RAMAKRISHNA BADSESHI
@Kalaburagi

IN a unique oral judgment by the Kalaburagi Bench of the High Court recently, Justices Suraj Govindraj and Chillakur Sumalatha advised the chief secretary to examine inordinate delays in filing appeals by various departments.

It appears that there is no structural institutional mechanism for timely evaluation of adverse judicial orders and prompt decision-making regarding filing of appeals, the judges reprimanded.

Senior advocate P Vilaskumar arguing for Nandkishore Bagare, a typist at SS Margol College of Arts, Science and Commerce of Shahabad town of Kalaburagi district, said the petitioner had sought the grant as typist at the college with consequential benefits, including arrears. A single-judge bench on November 12, 2024 ordered in favour of the petitioner and asked the government to complete the exercise within four weeks, failing which it would be considered as non-compliance with judicial directions. But, the state government filed the reply only after contempt proceedings were started and requested for condoning of the delay.

The judges said the government departments are under a special obligation to ensure that litigation is conducted with diligence and responsibility. Considering all these facts, the court said, the chief secretary may consider putting in place a standardised system or protocol across all departments to ensure that decisions regarding appeals are taken within the period prescribed under law, avoiding the necessity of seeking condonation of substantial delays as in the present case. The court said the issue involved in the present case is not merely confined to the delay in filing the present appeal, but reflects a systemic problem in governmental litigation management.

Having regard to the recurring nature of this issue, this court is of the view that the chief secretary, being the head of the state administrative machinery, would be required to examine it at an institutional level and put in place a structured monitoring mechanism across all departments of the government to ensure timely consideration and filing of appeals. Where delay occurs due to administrative inaction or negligence, responsibility shall be identified at the appropriate level, so that similar lapses do not recur, the HC observed.

Barbers shut doors amid caste conflict in Ballari

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@ Kolagallu/Ballari

A caste conflict has sharply fractured social cohesion at Kolagallu village of Ballari taluk, with its ripple effects disrupting everyday life and pushing small livelihoods to the brink. For the past few weeks, all eight barber shops in the village have remained shut, following the friction between Kuruba, Valmiki and Madiga communities.

What began as a localised dispute has now evolved into a deep social divide, with residents unwilling to engage with one another. Barbers, who serve all sections of society, "we are stuck in between. If we attend to customers from one community, it invites objections from the other". Barbers said they decided to shut their businesses to avoid backlash from either side, and will reopen only after normalcy returns.

With no income from their regular trade, some barbers have temporarily shifted to agricultural labour to sustain their families. A barber said, "we never saw people through the lens of caste. Yet, we are the ones bearing the brunt of a conflict that is not ours."

Many residents are forced to travel to Ballari city even for basic grooming services. The situation is particularly sensitive as the annual fair and chariot festival of Erritata draws near. While one faction has opposed holding the event, another insists on continuing the tradition, further intensifying the divide. Kolagallu has long been regarded as a caste-sensitive village. Incidents involving community clashes have earlier been reported, especially between Kuruba and Madiga groups.

Police said, the current flare-up traces back to an altercation at a bar, in March first week, reportedly involving caste-based abuse. A case has since been registered at the Ballari Rural Police Station.

RED REVOLT

Karnataka Anganwadi Workers Association members oppose the State Government's decision to start LKG-UKG classes in anganwadis without adequate funding and support, at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on Monday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

EXPRESS READ

Three arrested for selling MDMA to students in Mangaluru

MANGALURU: Three persons, Hyder (53), from Thokkottu, Mohammed Sajjad (29) and Jaison Menezes (26), from Pumpwell, were arrested for selling MDMA to students in the surroundings of Pumpwell-Yekkar. Police seized 26 gram MDMA worth Rs 2,50,000, cash of Rs 37,000, five mobile phones, weighing machine and auto rickshaw. **ENS**

One dead, 12 injured as van overturns at Charmadi Ghat

MANGALURU: Shekarappa (59) lost his life and 12 others were injured after a van overturned near the 10th hairpin curve at Charmadi Ghat. Manju A, and his family were travelling from Malenahalli to Dharmasthala in a van. The driver, Purushottam, allegedly drove negligently, causing the vehicle to turn turtle. **ENS**

KERC issues orders for demand side management

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru:

THE Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC) has issued orders detailing the framework and notification for the Demand Flexibility Demand Side Management (DSM) Regulations, 2026.

The DSM is a critical in energy efficiency and consumption, enabling distribution licencees (Escoms) to manage peak demand, reduce power consumption during peak demand hours and shift usage to off-peak hours. The regulation programme can be implemented by Escoms and consumers. This regulation also helps consumers reduce their electricity bills, improve energy efficiency and enhance overall reliability of the energy system.

KERC has also notified the Framework Resource Adequacy (FRA) Regulations, which mandate Escoms to adopt energy efficiency measures to manage demand.

The notification was issued on March 10, 2026. The order also detailed that the Demand Flexibility Portfolio Obligations (DFPO) should be adhered to by Escoms, while accounting for tariffs. KERC noted that since the tariff order for financial years 2026-28 has already been issued, the financial targets for Escoms will remain the same for 2027 and 2028.

Based on the DFPO percentage of peak demand experienced during the previous financial years, Escoms have calculated the tragectories for the next five years. For the financial year 2026-27 the DFPO is 0.5%, for FY 2027-28 it is 1%, for FY 2028-29-1.5% and 2% for the financial year 2029-30.

The order noted, "Distribution Licensee shall be eligible for an incentive of Rs 20 lakh for every megawatt achieved in excess of DFPO. Similarly, they shall be subjected to a disincentive of Rs 20 Lakh for every MW underachievement of DFPO."

KERC pointed out that Escoms should implement the demand flexibility and DSM programmes while addressing peak demand and other associated costly power purchases. They should also include the demand response initiatives involving consumers, who should agree to modulate their load shapes.

State unveils CySeck compendium to fortify cybersecurity

Bengaluru: The State on Monday unveiled the CySeck Annual Compendium 2025-26, a comprehensive report mapping the state's cybersecurity landscape, emerging threats and strategic priorities. The compendium, prepared by the Karnataka Centre of Excellence for Cybersecurity, cautions against the growing exposure to cyber risks as digital adoption spans sectors. The report notes that increasing reliance on cloud platforms, digital payments, connected systems, and data-driven services has expanded the cyber threat. CySeck, an initiative of the Department of Electronics, Information Technology, Biotechnology and Science & Technology, aims to strengthen the state's cybersecurity ecosystem through skill development, industry collaboration, research and government capacity building. Unveiling the report, department Secretary Manjula N said it reflects the government's commitment to addressing emerging threats through collaboration, innovation, and capacity building.

Government of Karnataka
MINOR IRRIGATION AND GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
Office of the Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Division, Jayanagar Shopping Complex, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011

No. EE/MI & GWD/BNG/AE-1/41/2025-26/927 Datd : 23.03.2026

Short Term Tender Notification

On the behalf of the Hon'ble of State of Karnataka, as per K.T.P.P. with latest amendments, Item wise tenders are invited for the works mentioned under H/A : 4702 MOT from the eligible contractors of suitable category registered under KPWD. For further details, visit website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Name of the work: (1) Improvements to Bhaktharahalli Tank in Kasaba Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, **(2)** Improvements to Koraluru Tank in Kasaba Hobli, Hosakote Taluk. Bangalore Rural District. **Total Number of work - 02**

Amount Put to Tender (Rs in Lakhs) : Minimum: **Rs.400.60** Maximum: **Rs.401.29**, **EMD (in Rupees):** Minimum: **Rs.6,01,000.00** Maximum: **Rs.6,02,000.00** **Period in Months : 11 Months**

(Tender Amount, EMD Amount and Period Completion as per the works noted in KPPP Portal)

(1) Tender will be published through KPPP Portal on Dated: **23.03.2026 at 16.30 Hours, (2)** Last date of queries: **02.04.2026 at 15.00 Hours, (3)** Pre Bid Meeting Date & Time: **27.03.2026 at 11.30 Hours, (4)** Last Date for Receipt of Tenders on Dated: **02.04.2026 at 16.30 Hours, (5)** Technical Bid will be opened on Dated: **04.04.2026 at 11.30 Hours, (6)** Financial Bid will be opened on Dated: **After approval of Technical bid.**

Conditions: 1) Terms and conditions and other details may be obtained through kppp portal at the website address **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** **2)** Tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in clause KW-4 of ITT in Standard Tender document. **3)** Bidder should quote the rates Excluding GST. **4)** Rights are reserved for postponement or cancellation of any or all Tenders.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, M.I. & G.W.D. Division

DIPR/CP/6394/SHIRDI SAI/2025-2026

Govt Of Karnataka
YOUTH EMPOWERMENT AND SPORTS DEPARTMENT, KOPPAL

SI NO:AD/YESD/KPL/SHPM/CR-48(A)/2025-26/1008 Date: 23.03.2026

Short Term Tender Notification (Through KPPP Portal Only)

The Assistant Director, Youth Empowerment and Sports Department, Koppal-Karnataka has invited The Following Tender Through the KPPP Portal to Select Eligible Contractors for Supplying Daily Meals to the Athletes of the Following Sports Residential School/ Hostel Department Of Youth Empowerment and Sports Koppal.

Particulars Of Tender : (1) District Sports Hostel Koppal : Tender Amount (In,Rs) **Rs. 58,50,000=00** EMD Amount (In Rs) : **Rs.1,17,000=00 (2)**Tender Application Starting Dated : **24.03.2026 Time: 12:00 PM (3)** Tender Application Submission Of Last Date:**07.04.2026 Evening 4:00 PM (4)** Opening Of Technical Bid : **Date: 09.04.2026 Evening 4:00 PM (5)** Opening Of Financial Bid : Will be Intimated

Sl. No	Particulars	Strength Of Sports Persons (Approx)	Maximum amount fixed per day for an athlete (in Rs.)	Total cost of food supply for an estimated 325 days per year (in Rs.)
1	5th to 10th Standard Sports Persons	80	225/-	58,50,000=00
	Total	80		58,50,000=00

Tenderers can Get and Uploaded the Details Web-address: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Additional Information May be Obtained during Office Hours at The above Mentioned Address.

Sd/-Assistant Director and Tender Inviting Authority Youth Empowerment and Sports Koppal

DIPR/Koppal/765/DeshpandePublicity/2025-26

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA-DEPARTMENT OF SPACE CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP, SDSC –SHAR SRIHARIKOTA-524124

Brief E-TENDER NOTICE

e-Tender Notice No.CMG/C/CON/258732_258733_258734_258735 **Date: 17/03/2026**

On behalf of President of India, Item Rate tenders are invited through e-tendering for the following works:

Sl.No	Brief Name of work	Est. Value (Rs)
1	Augmentation of HIL Stores at SMPC Unit-2, SDSC SHAR (Civil & Road works)	120 Lakhs
2	Augmentation of Fire water pump house with GLR at SMPC U-II, SDSC SHAR.	386 Lakhs
3	Construction of RR Dwarf wall with F-angles from Gate-I to Launch View Gallery (LVG) for Concertina coil fence installation, SDSC SHAR.	75 Lakhs
4	Construction of transit room& miscellaneous civil works for existing 450kV Bay at NDT FACILITY, SMPC Unit-I, SDSC SHAR (Civil & Road Works).	28 Lakhs

Last date for sale (Tender documents can be downloaded) up to **01/04/2026**, **14:30 hrs**. For eligibility criteria and other details, interested tenderers may please refer to the detailed bilingual (Hindi-English) Notice Inviting Tenders (NIT) on the website **https://www.isro.gov.in/Tenders.html** and tender free view at **https://www.tenderwizard.com/isro** .

Sd/- GROUP HEAD, CMG/ SDSC SHAR

ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಮೈಸೂರು

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ), ಸಿವಿಲ್ ವಿಭಾಗ ಸಯ್ಯಾಜಿರಾವ್ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಮೈಸೂರು ಇ-ಮೇಲ್- eewmccmys@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಮೈನಪಾ/ಕಾ.ಇಂ(ಪ)/ಸಾ.ಟೆಂ.ಪ್ರ-31/2025-26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 20.03.2026

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ

ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ವಿವಿಧ ಅನುದಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿರುತ್ತದೆ

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4	• ಮಳಿಗೆ-01 ನ್ನು ಶೇಕಡ 50 ಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ಅಂಗವಿಕಲತೆ ಹೊಂದಿರುವವರಿಗೆ ಮೀಸಲಿರಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಬಾಡಿಗೆ ದರ ರೂ.8,238/- ಆಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಅರ್ಜಿಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.12,500/- ಗಳನ್ನು ಡಿ.ಡಿ/ಚೆಕ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಆಯುಕ್ತರ ಹೆಸರಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಅರ್ಹ ಫಲಾನುಭವಿಗಳು ಸೂಕ್ತ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಸದರಿ ಕಚೇರಿಗೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ:02.04.2026 ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ರ ಒಳಗೆ ನೇರವಾಗಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. • ಅರ್ಹ ಅಂಗವಿಕಲ ಫಲಾನುಭವಿಗಳ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ:03.04.2026 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ಎಲ್ಲರ ಸಮ್ಮುಖದಲ್ಲಿ ಲಾಟರಿ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ನೇರವಾಗಿ ಹಂಚಿಕೆ ಮಾಡುವುದು. ಅಂತಿಮವಾಗಿ ಆಯ್ಕೆಯಾದ ಫಲಾನುಭವಿಗಳು ರೂ.1,90,500/- ಗಳನ್ನು ಭದ್ರತಾ ಠೇವಣಿಯನ್ನು ಅವಧಿ ಮುಗಿಯುವವರೆಗೆ ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಆಯುಕ್ತರ ಹೆಸರಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಠೇವಣಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ವಿನಾಯಿತಿ ಇರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಹಾಗು ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಬಾಡಿಗೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ವಿನಾಯಿತಿ ಇರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಹಾಗೂ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಷರತ್ತು ಮತ್ತು ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪಾಲಿಸುವುದು.					

ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರವನ್ನು ಕಚೇರಿ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಸಿವಿಲ್ ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ಪ) ಸಿವಿಲ್ ರವರ ಕಚೇರಿಯನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ವಿಶೇಷ ಸೂಚನೆ: ಮುಂದೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಸೂಚನೆ/ಬದಲಾವಣೆ / ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿಗಳಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾತ್ರ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು ಮತ್ತು ಯಾವುದೇ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಸಹಿ/-ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ಪೂ) ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಮೈಸೂರು.

ಸಹಿ/-ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ಪ) ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಮೈಸೂರು.

ಪಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಮೈಸೂರು/1867/ತಿರಡಿ ಸಾಯಿ/2025-26

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. CEE/Tr(OP)ZM/SEE(O)/AEE-1/2025-26/10580-83 Date: 13.03.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Mode Only)

KPTCL invites bids for the following works.

1) Augmentation of 1x6.3MVA Power Transformer by 1x12.5MVA Power Transformer at 66/11kV **Arakere** sub-station in SR Patna Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** Others.

2) Replacement of 2x8MVA Power Transformers by 2x20MVA Power Transformers in **V.C. Farm** sub-station in Mandya Taluk & District. **Call-3. Category :** CAT-II(A).

3) Replacement of 1x8 MVA Power Transformer by 1x20MVA Power Transformer at **Haradanahalli** 66/11kV sub-station in Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** Others.

4) Replacement of 1X8 MVA Power Transformer by 1x20 MVA Power Transformer at 66/11kV **Adichunchanagiri (A.C. Giri)** sub-station in Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** Others.

5) Replacement of 1X8 MVA Power Transformer by 1X20 MVA Power Transformer at 66/11kV **Chinakurali** sub-station in Pandavapura Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** Others.

6) Replacement of 1x8MVA Power Transformer by 1x20MVA Power Transformer at 66/11 KV **Ganjigere** sub-station in KR Pete Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** CAT-II(A).

7) Replacement of 1x6.3MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer by 1x12.5MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer at 220/ 66/11kV **Tubinakere** sub-station in Mandya Taluk & District. **Call-3. Category :** Others.

8) Replacement of 1X8 MVA Power Transformer by 1x20 MVA Power Transformer at 66/11kV **Anegola** sub-station in KR Pete Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** SC.

9) Augmentation of 1x6.3MVA and 1x12.5MVA Power Transformer by 2x20MVA Power Transformers at 66/11kV **Belagola** sub-station in Srirangapattana Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** SC.

10) Replacement of 1x8MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer-2 By 1x20MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer in 66/11kV **Doddabyadarahalli** sub-station in Pandavapura Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** CAT-II(A).

11) Replacement of 1x8MVA Power Transformer by 1x20MVA Power Transformer in 66/11kV **Kolakaranadoddi** sub-station in Mandya Taluk & District. **Call-3. Category :** Others.

12) Replacement of 2x12.5MVA Power Transformer by 2x20MVA Power Transformer at 66/11kV **BG Nagara** sub-station in Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** Others.

13) Replacement of 2x12.5MVA Power Transformers by 2x20MVA Power Transformers at 66/11kV **Pandavapura** sub-station in Panadavapura Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** Others.

14) Augmentation of 2x12.5MVA 66/11KV Power Transformers by 2x20MVA 66/11kV Power Transformers in 66/11kV **Kirugavalu** sub-station in Malavalli Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** Others.

15) Replacement of 1x12.5MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer by 1x20MVA 66/11kV Transformer at 66/11kV **K.M. Doddi** sub-station in Madduru Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3. Category :** Others.

16) Providing 66KV, 20.0MVAR Capacitor Bank at 66/11KV **B.G Pura** sub-station in Malavalli Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-I. Category :** Others.

For all the above works including supply of all matching materials/equipment (except 66/11kV Power Transformer and 11kV switchgear) and erection & including civil works of all materials/equipment, testing and commissioning. (Sl No 1-15 on PTK basis) & (Sl No 16 on TTK basis).

The tender for the above works are invited through electronic mode. The interested bidders can obtain the application in electronic mode by paying the tender fee. The detailed notification regarding above said enquiry in the E-tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in with hyper link "E Procurement KPTCL" OR https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in on or after **16.03.2026**. More details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Chief Engineer (Elec)., Transmission (Operations) Zone, KPTCL, Prasarana Bhavana, FTS Compound, N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru-570007.

Opposing the internal reservation for Scheduled Castes being implemented across the state, a massive protest will be held under Immadi Siddarameshwara Swamy of Bhovi Gurupeetha by Bhovi, Banjara, Korama, Koracha, Chalavadi and Charmakara communities on March 24 at Freedom Park in Bengaluru, said Pavan Kumar, a member of the Bhovi community. He said the recommendations of Justice Nagmohan Das on the internal reservation in his report are unscientific, incomplete, unclear and unacceptable

10K LPG cylinders to be released to hotels, says min

Asks businesses to register with GAIL for gas

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@Bengaluru

TO ensure transparency in the supply of commercial LPG (liquified petroleum gas) cylinders amid the ongoing supply crunch, Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa told the Council on Monday that hotels and commercial establishments must register with the Gas Authority of India (GAIL) within a week for them to get the supplies. Of nearly 45,000 commercial cylinders required by the state every day, 16,105 were being supplied, of which 10,000 would be allocated to hotels, he added.

Mentioning that he held a meeting with oil marketing companies, Muniyappa said 4,200 commercial cylinders are being supplied to educational institutions and hospitals on priority and 1,200 to airports, Railways and bus stations.

He said the earlier allocation of 1,000 commercial cylinders to hotels was not enough and now it will be increased to 10,000 cylinders. Even then, only 20% of their regular usage can be met, he admitted.

He told hotel owners that without GAIL registration, it would be difficult to supply cylinders. This is to prevent misuse and assess the demand. As of now, GAIL has made a provision to register only 5 lakh businesses and the limit would be extended in the coming days, he added.

He told the House that there is no problem with the domestic cylinder supply and residences in urban areas are being given cylinders 25 days after booking and in rural areas, by 40 days.

Congress MLC Ivan D'Souza complained that because of the shortage of commercial cylinders, hotels have increased prices. He demanded that the government at least supply firewood.

Muniyappa replied, "We should learn from Mahatma Gandhi's ideal of leading a self-reliant life and not depending on foreign land. 70 per cent of the oil demand is met through imports. We should increase solar energy, green energy and biogas. The then UPA government at the Centre had formulated policies towards that and the current government is continuing with them."

HELPLINE TO REPORT OVERCHARGING

Shivamogga: The state government on Monday said LPG distributors charging extra for home delivery is illegal and citizens can report such exploitation to toll-free helpline 1800-599-1100. Minister K H Muniyappa, replying to an unstarred question from MLC Dr Dhananjaya Sarji in the Legislative Council on Monday, said that the Retail Selling Price fixed by oil companies already includes all taxes and delivery fees. The announcement follows widespread reports of gas agencies across the state demanding an unauthorised surcharge of Rs 50 to Rs 100 from domestic consumers. **ENS**

State Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa addresses the Legislative Council on Monday | EXPRESS

HIGH COURT JUNKS BHA PLEA ON LPG SUPPLY, SAYS IT'S POLICY DECISION

Bengaluru: The Karnataka High Court on Monday declined to entertain a petition filed by the Bangalore Hotels' Association (BHA) and four others seeking its directions for uninterrupted supply of commercial LPG cylinders to hotels and restaurants in the city. Justice Sachin Shankar Magadum disposed of the petition taking cognisance of the order and observations made by the Bombay High Court on the same issue and the policy decision taken by the government in view of global uncertainty. Justice Magadum said the courts are not equipped to interfere with the policies of the executives. However, he suggested to the petitioners to participate in the meetings with Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa on steps to address the issue and apprise him of their situation. The petitioners alleged that there are about 40,000 hotels in the city with six lakh labourers. The Natural Gas (supply regulation) Order, 2026, issued by the Union government in response to the conflict in West Asia and a policy framed by the state government led to disruption of supply of LPG. **ENS**

REMARKS AGAINST LOKAYUKTA: COURT DENIES BAIL TO ACCUSED

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

A city civil and sessions court has refused to grant bail to an accused, who has been in judicial custody for four months after he was arrested for allegedly making derogatory remarks against the Lokayukta and Upa Lokayukta.

"If the accused is released on bail, there is a possibility of him absconding and also he may continue to make derogatory remarks against the Lokayukta and Upalokayukta," said Rashmi M, Judge of LXVII Additional City Civil and Sessions Court, dismissing the bail petition filed by G Shankar from Ballari, on March 17.

Shankar, who claimed to be a representative of the public and shopkeepers of Sri Nageshwara Temple in Ballari, filed a complaint before the Lokayukta on February 19, 2015, against the assistant commissioner of the Department of Hindu Religious and Charitable Institutions in Ballari.

Accordingly, a notice was issued to the assistant commissioner and the complainant to appear before the Lokayukta on July 20, 2017. The assistant commissioner submitted a report stating that action has been taken for construction of a commercial complex to increase the income of the temple and shops will be allotted as per rules.

Also, officials cleared the encroachment as per the direction of the Lokayukta and submitted a report. After an inquiry, the complaint filed by the accused was closed on the grounds that tenants were evicted as per law.

On September 3, 2022, the accused wrote to the Upa Lokayukta expressing dissatisfaction over closure of his complaint. He also made derogatory remarks against the Lokayukta and Upa Lokayukta in the letter. The letter was placed before the Lokayukta. A show cause notice was issued to the accused on April 19, 2023.

He replied to the notice on May 11, 2023, again making derogatory remarks against the Lokayukta and Upa Lokayukta.

On receiving a private complaint by the registrar of the Lokayukta and taking cognisance of the offence, the court issued summons to the accused. Despite issuing summons and non-bailable warrants seven times, he did not appear before the court.

On November 18, 2025, the jurisdictional police apprehended him from Andhra Pradesh and produced him before the jurisdictional court, which remanded him to judicial custody.

The accused, through his counsel, submitted that he has been falsely implicated in this case and has no permanent address. He also submitted that he be released on personal bond as he has no surety and money to deposit as security.

SUMMER STRUGGLE

A shepherd holds an umbrella to protect himself from the scorching sun as he takes his herd of goats to a field for grazing in Chikkamagaluru on Monday | PTI

Hospital gets Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy unit

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MEDICAL Education and Skill Development Minister Dr Sharanprakash Patil launched the Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (HBOT) service at the Karnataka Institute of Endocrinology & Research Institute (KIER) in Indiranagar on Monday.

"HBOT is not just a medical treatment. It is a restoration of dignity and livelihood for patients who have been suffering," he said. "We are now able to offer patients a genuine path to recovery that was not available before."

For the nearly 80 million Indians living with diabetes, a devastating complication quietly threatens their quality of life and limbs. Diabetic foot ulcer (DFU) affect between 25% and 34% of diabetic patients at some point in their lifetime, with half of those cases progressing to serious infection. Now, HBOT is emerging as a powerful, life-changing solution that gives patients a real chance at healing and staying whole, a press release said.

"Diabetes prevalence in Karnataka is estimated at 12-16%, with higher rates in urban populations. In Karnataka, an estimated 11,000-13,500 new diabetic foot cases occur annually. These complications are a leading cause of hospital admissions and account for nearly 80% of non-traumatic lower limb amputations," the release added.

"HBOT is changing the outlook for patients living with active diabetic foot wounds. By delivering high concentrations of oxygen in a pressurised environment, the therapy accelerates wound healing, fights infection and critically helps save limbs that might otherwise be amputated," noted Dr Ravi, director of KIER.

Wage delay: Temp forest workers plan strike

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MORE than 4000 members of the State Forest Department Daily Wages and Outsourced Employees Association have announced that they will launch an indefinite strike at Bandipur Tiger Reserve on April 1.

The association's vice president, SS Harish, said: "From April 1, temporary staffers will go on strike. This includes watchers, guards, drivers and other frontline staff. There are more than 6,000 temporary staffers in the state, of which 4,000 have agreed to join the strike."

The staffers also refused to participate in a video conference scheduled for Tuesday. "A link was shared through a message, asking us to participate and voice our opinions. This is not possible for us. We should be called for a conversation to iron out issues," said Harish.

The strike is expected to affect patrolling and daily watcher duties. Sources in the department said that while there are permanent recruits, a large portion of work is done by temporary staffers. Besides, this is the forest fire season and a large work force is required for patrolling and mitigation work. The incidents of man-animal conflict are also on the rise. A large work force is needed for many other works also.

The members of the association have demand that their wages be credited directly to their accounts from the forest department, instead of doing it through agents who delay passing on the amount, sometimes even by a month. They also demanded that those who have completed 10 years of service in the department must be given equal ex-gratia and as permanent staffers.

Harish said that till 2017, the wages were being credited to the accounts of the temporary staffers. "When we protested on November 17, 2025, then the principal chief conservators of forests, the forest secretary and Kodagu MLA AS Ponnnana met us and agreed on direct payment of wages. But till date, nothing has happened. During the tigress poisoning case in MM Hills, forest minister Eshwar Khandre had assured us timely salaries and other facilities equivalent to temporary staffers, but in vain," he said, adding that a memorandum on this was submitted to the department's head office a fortnight ago.

Reacting to this, a senior forest department official who did not want to be named said, "There is much more to this. All temporary staffers are paid through agencies across departments. The government will take the final decision."

Union min to chair meet on man-animal conflict

Hassan: Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Bhupender Yadav will chair a high-level meeting to discuss strategies to combat man-animal conflict, an issue that has been plaguing Karnataka, said former minister HK Kumaraswamy on Monday. He said MPs Tejasvi Surya, Kota Srinivasa Poojari, Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, Dr CN Manjunath and Mallesh Babu will join the meeting. Addressing a press conference in Hassan, Kumaraswamy said the Union minister has promised a concrete programme to address the problem, which also has the state government in confidence. Yadav discussed the wild elephant menace in detail with the delegation of coffee growers led by former prime minister HD Devegowda, union minister for heavy industries and steel HD Kumaraswamy, which presented to him a memorandum with detailed information about the man-animal conflicts in Hassan, Chikmagaluru and Madikeri districts. **ENS**

Need to introspect India's growth under Modi: Lad

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@ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA Labour Minister Santosh Lad on Sunday congratulated Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** on achieving a significant milestone by becoming the longest-serving head of government in India, while simultaneously calling for introspection on the country's economic performance under his leadership.

"Today, Bangladesh's per capita income is better than India's. In the last 10 years, the Indian rupee has fallen by 60%. No one wants to discuss this. Smaller countries have outdone us. There is no growth in the country, and more debt. There has to be very strong introspection by the govt. I wish PM Modi all the best," Lad posted on X.

Lad concluded by extending good wishes to the PM despite his pointed criticisms.

Former AICC General Secretary and MLC BK Hariprasad sharply criticised Prime Minister Narendra Modi's tenure as the latter marked a historic milestone by completing 8,931 days in office to become India's longest-serving head of an elected government.

Hariprasad remarked sarcastically that Modi had indeed become the "longest serving something," but emphasised that he "never served anyone, only served himself."

He described Modi's time in power spanning his years as Gujarat chief minister and three terms as Prime Minister as a "completely dark chapter in India's history".

BJP flays ruling Cong for ignoring MGNREGA in Karnataka budget

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OPPOSITION BJP on Monday criticised the state government for not allocating funds for MGNREGA in its budget and sought to know whether the scheme will be continued in the new financial year.

Participating in a discussion on the budget in the Assembly, BJP MLA Sunil Kumar said the government should clarify its stand on VB-G RAM G. The budget makes no mention of clearing Rs 38,000 crore contractors' dues, grants for filling 56,000 vacant posts or of Rs 20,000 crore to implement the Seventh Pay Commission's recommendations.

Referring to the announcement to fill 56,000 posts of the 2.74 lakh vacancies in the budget, he said why no funds have been allocated for this purpose. "Youths in North Karnataka have started staging protests demanding that vacant posts be filled at the earliest. To mislead them, the government announced that 56,000 vacant posts will be filled without providing any grants," he alleged.

Raising concerns over MGNREGA, he said no allocation has been made in the budget despite an economic survey citing 8.93 lakh works, including 5.99 lakh projects under implementation. With no allocation of funds for these works, will the scheme be discontinued?

Sunil Kumar said Chief Minister Siddaramaiah not only holds the record of presenting the biggest budget, but also the record of imposing the highest debt on the people. The state's borrowings stood at Rs 1.32 lakh crore. "The CM also has the record of creating more problems for the state," he alleged.

Referring to the budget of over Rs 4.44 lakh crore and capital expenditure of Rs 74,000 crore, Sunil Kumar sought to know how the government will raise funds to meet its commitments. There are other schemes for which the CM has not allotted funds. "I am skeptical about this budget itself," he said.

Criticising the government for its socio-educational and economical survey, he alleged that it was done in a hurry by spending Rs 500 crore. The CM even claimed that the government needed the survey report to formulate welfare schemes, he said. "Even after seven months of completion of the survey, it found no mention in the budget. Though Rs 500 crore has been spent on the survey, why has it not been revealed?" Sunil Kumar asked.

LIFE-CHANGING MOVE

Village girl skips SSLC exam; officials save her day

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @ Gadag

A student preparing for the SSLC examination, faced with dire financial constraints, made the difficult decision to forgo the exam in favour of working at a grape farm to earn a daily wage. Upon learning of this situation, officials from the education department promptly visited the farm, persuaded the student, and escorted her back to the examination hall. This act of compassion has significantly impacted the student's future. The incident occurred at Bardur village of Mundargi taluk in Gadag district, and the student's name is Pallavi Hallikeri.

On Monday, the science examination took place, and all students arrived punctually. When the Education Department officials enquired about students who were absent, several classmates informed them of Pallavi's circumstances.

Pallavi with officials of education department at the examination centre in Mundargi town of Gadag district on Monday

Subsequently, the officials met with her at the farm and facilitated her return to the examination hall. Reports indicate that Pallavi performed admirably on the exam. The timely intervention of the officials has garnered widespread acclaim from the public, serving as an inspiration to other students facing barriers to education.

I have completed the SSLC science examination today. I had to attend to work due to personal issues, and I am grateful to the officials who came to my aid and brought me to the examination hall

Pallavi Hallikeri, SSLC candidate

Pallavi is a student at VJ Limbikai Educational Institution at Mundargi town in Gadag district. Due to her family's precarious financial situation, she was forced to work as a daily wage labourer. Despite impending exams, she continued to work, expressing that her financial obligations left her with no alternative. Hence, even on examination days, she opted to work. Education Department officials noted that Pallavi had attended her first exam on March 18. She said, "I wrote the science examination today. I had to attend to work due to personal issues, and I am grateful to the officials who came to my aid and brought me to the examination hall."

Gadag DDPI R S Buradi stated, "The actions taken by our officials from Mundargi are commendable. They reached the girl at her workplace, persuaded her in a remarkably short period, and successfully returned her to the examination hall. Furthermore, we have been informed that she performed well on the test. We are actively seeking out other students who may be unable to attend examination due to poverty and similar challenges."

Veteran Indian sports journalist S Thyagarajan, who carved a niche for himself with his extensive coverage of hockey, died here on Monday after battling age-related ailments. He was 85. He is survived by his wife and two daughters

AMMK general secretary TTV Dhinakaran, BJP TN election in-charge Piyush Goyal, AIADMK General Secretary and former Tamil Nadu chief minister Edappadi K Palaniswami, PMK MP Anbumani Ramadoss and TN BJP chief Nainar Nagendran at AIADMK headquarters in Chennai on Monday | P JAWAHAR

EPS ALLOTS 27 SEATS TO BJP, 18 TO PMK, AMMK GETS 11

2 more smaller parties likely to contest on BJP's symbol

T MURUGANANDHAM @Chennai

THE AIADMK-led National Democratic Alliance in Tamil Nadu on Monday finalised seat allocation for major partners in the bloc for the April 23 Assembly polls, with the Dravidian party giving 27 seats to the BJP, 18 to the PMK, and 11 to the AMMK. AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K Palaniswami, who made the announcement at Puratchi Thalaivar MGR Maaligai, said the seat allocation for other parties in the alliance will be completed by Monday.

Though BJP got seven more than the 20 seats it contested in 2021, many party functionaries said they had expected more. The undivided PMK contested in 23 seats in 2021. The faction led by Dr Anbumani Ramadoss, who has been recognised as PMK president by the ECI, has been given 18 seats and a Rajya Sabha seat.

AMMK, which got 11 seats, had formed its own alliance and contested 165 seats in 2021. "Talks are on with a few other parties. Seats will be allocated to them by tonight. After that, the number of seats to be contested by the AIADMK will be known," EPS told the media. After the allocation of 56 seats on Monday, there are 178 seats left to be apportioned among AIADMK allies. The Tamil Maanila Congress led by GK Vasan, IJK led by Parivendhar, John Pandian's TMMK, NJP led by AC Shanmugam, and Poovai Jeganmoorthy's Puratchi Bharatham are among the parties that are yet to be allotted seats. The NJP, TMMK and perhaps one or two smaller parties are expected to contest on BJP's lotus symbol, which could technically push the number of seats the national party is contesting to 30 or more.

Palaniswami announced the deal in the presence of the BJP's Tamil Nadu election in-charge and Union Minister Piyush Goyal, BJP state president Nainar Nagenthran, former state president Dr Tamilisai Soundararajan and Union Minister L Murugan, PMK president Dr Anbumani and others.

LDF TO TAKE KERALA TO NEXT LEVEL OF GROWTH: CM

Pathanamthitta: Kerala CM Pinarayi Vijayan on Monday said the LDF was approaching the Assembly elections, intending to take Kerala to the next level of development while upholding secular and democratic values. The CM also said there was strong public support for LDF, and the front was poised for a decisive victory in the polls. He said the election presents a historic opportunity for people to ensure continuity of a governance model focused on development and welfare. ENS

PINARAYI BJP'S CAPTAIN IN KERALA: VENUGOPAL

PATHANAMTHITTA: AICC general secretary KC Venugopal on Monday alleged that Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan has entered into a "deal" with the BJP in several constituencies. He claimed that the Chief Minister, in a bid to protect his close associates and relatives, had "surrendered" before Prime Minister Narendra Modi and taken up a "quotation" from the BJP. According to Venugopal, what was earlier seen as Vijayan leading the CPM has now turned into him acting as the BJP's "captain" in Kerala. ENS

TN custodial deaths: All 9 cops found guilty

Central and State governments should submit reports on aggravating and mitigating factors, with further directions for medical examination of the convicts

—Judge

JEGADEESWARI PANDIAN @Madurai

THE First Additional District and Sessions Judge, Madurai, G Muthukumaran, on Monday convicted nine policemen in a case in which two traders, P Jeyaraj and his son Beniks, died after being subjected to brutal torture at Sathankulam police station in Thoothukudi in June 2020. The case has been posted to March 30 for hearing on sentencing. The nine cops are, namely then inspector S Sridhar, then sub inspectors P Ragu Ganesh and K Balakrishnan, then head constables S Murugan and A Samidurai and then constables M Muthuraja, S Veil Muthu, S Chelladurai and X Thomas Francis.

Convicted policemen in Sathankulam custodial death case being taken away from the court premises | KK SUNDAR

In order to decide their punishment, the judge has directed the Central and State governments to submit reports on aggravating and mitigating factors, with further directions for medical examination of the convicts. He has also sought for reports of probation officers concerned, last property statement and salary certificate of the convicts. On June 19, 2020, when Jeyaraj was in his son's mobile showroom, the accused police personnel took him to the police station for allegedly keeping the shop open beyond the Covid-19 curfew hours. When Beniks went to the station and requested his father's release, the accused policemen abused Jeyaraj in front of Beniks, leading to a quarrel between him and the policemen.

Following this, the father-son duo was brutally tortured by the police at the station the whole night and were later remanded in judicial custody by the Sathankulam Judicial Magistrate at Kovilpatti Sub-Jail the next day without being given a proper medical treatment. Their health deteriorated soon and Beniks died at the Government Kovilpatti Hospital on June 22, 2020, while Jeyaraj succumbed a day later.

Ex-CM Narayanasamy denied ticket

PUDUCHERRY POLLS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Puducherry

FORMER Puducherry chief minister **V Narayanasamy** has been denied a seat to contest the April 9 Assembly elections, leading to a protest by his supporters in front of the residence of Puducherry Pradesh Congress Committee president and MP V Vaithilingam on Monday.

Party sources said the decision to deny him a seat was taken by the central leadership, as his candidature could be detrimental to the prospects of the party and alliance. Narayanasamy, who did not contest the 2021 elections, had been nurturing hope of fighting from Nellithope constituency. He even distributed gifts to the voters prior to the announcement of elections in an attempt to win their favour. However, on Monday, the last day for filing nominations, he was refused A and B form (endorsement as party candidate) by the party.

This led to his supporters laying siege to the house of Vaithilingam and even entering the hall of the residence. They alleged that it was a conspiracy by the party president.

Kerala student missing in Iran during internship

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kalpetta

A family in Wayanad is in deep distress after losing contact with their son, who had travelled to Iran as part of an internship programme.

The student, Fadush Farhan, a native of Mananthavady, has been unreachable for the past 24 days, raising serious concerns about his safety amid escalating tensions in the region. According to the family, Farhan had gone to Iran as part of a course affiliated with a private shipping company based in Jaipur. The internship was initially scheduled for six months, but was later extended by an additional three months. His father stated that Farhan had assured the family that he would return home by May. The last communication from Farhan came on February 27, when he called his family to inform them about his situation.

EXPRESS READ

2 die of suspected asphyxiation while unloading fish from boat

BALASORE: Two crew members of a mechanised boat died on Monday after inhaling toxic fumes while unloading fish at a jetty near Chandipur beach in Odisha's Balasore district, police said. The incident occurred at Naupalgadi fishing jetty at Balaramgadi. The deceased were identified as Pravakar Mallick and Sashina Mallick, residents of Aruha village in Bhadrak. The two men fell unconscious after entering the fish storage chamber of the boat soon after it anchored at the jetty. PTI

ACB chargesheet in E-Prix case names KTR as A1

HYDERABAD: The ACB on Monday filed a chargesheet in the Formula E race case, naming former Municipal Administration minister KT Rama Rao as A1. Ex-special chief secretary Arvind Kumar has been named A2, HMDA's then chief engineer BLN Reddy A3, former sports consultant Kiran Malleshwar A4, and UK-based Formula E Operations Limited A5. It was filed after the Department of Personnel and Training in February granted sanction to prosecute IAS officer Arvind Kumar. ENS

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to public at large **Mr.Venkatesh M C/O Murugesh G,** Residing at No.4, 1 st Main,1st Cross, Muniyellappa Layout, Anjaneya Temple Street, Taverekere, Karnataka - 560029. He has lost the Registered Original Sale Deed of Doc No.BMH-1-06035-2007-08 dated on 24-01-2008 he has lost at Near Taverekere bus stop Accordingly he has lodged the complainant on Bangalore City Police with E-Lost date 23/03/2026 Report No.2120708/2026.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our Client intends to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from **Smt. R. ANURADHA,** aged about 70 years, W/o. Sri. V. S. Ram Thilak, residing at "PADMALAYA" No.46, 4th Cross Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003. **("OWNER").**

The Owner has represented that she is the absolute Owner and is in possession of the Schedule Property and the Schedule Property is free from any kind of encumbrance, suits and Proceedings under any statute. Any person or Persons asserting any right, title, interest, claim or demand whatsoever in the Schedule Property or any part thereof, by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, lien, gift, inheritance, bequests, possession, lis pendens, maintenance, easement, memorandum of understanding, agreement, power of attorney, option, right of first refusal, pre-emption or otherwise whatsoever is hereby required to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within a period of **Seven (07) days** from the date of issuance of this notice with all documentary proof thereof failing which our Client will treat the title of the Schedule Property as clear and marketable and will proceed to enter into the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the peaceful possession and enjoyment of the Residential Vacent **Site No.823,** Bangalore North City Corporation (BNCC) Katha No.2524/823, New E-PID No.4672406418, Presently comes under Bangalore North City Corporation, New Ward No.15-Byatrayanapura, Bangalore. Situated at **RMS Layout / Sahakarnagar 'A' Block, Opposite to Krishna Diamond Appartments, Bangalore-560092** and it is bounded on: **East to West** : On Northern Side 22.50Mts (74 Feet); On Southern Side 20.14Mts (66.11 Feet); **North to South :** On Eastern Side 8.53Mts (28 Feet); On Western Side 8.53Mts (28 Feet);
In all measuring 182.09Sq.Mts (1960 Square Feet);
East by : Road; West by : Site No.821; North by : Site No.823/1; South by : Site No.824;

Mahendra Naik
MN Advocates & Legal Consultants
#41/1, 2nd Flr, 2nd Main Rd, Above Abree Bakery Vyalikaval, Bangalore-560003. Mob: 8073393434.

IN THE COURT OF THE 72nd ADDL' CITY CIVIL JUDGE MAYO HALL UNIT AT BENGALURU (CCH-73)
O.S. NO. 25867/2025

Between
ICICI Bank Limited,
Having its Registered office at Landmark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara- 390 007 and its Corporate Office at
ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra Kurla Compex, Bandra (East), Mumbai-400 051, And its Branch Office at Mythree Center, 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068
Represented by its Collection Manage and POA Holder Sri Pramodh Gurumallappa
...Plaintiff

And
M/s. S. Venkatesan Silk & Sarees & Another ...Defendants

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT NO.1 & 2 UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

To,
D1. M/s. S. Venkatesan Silk and Sarees, Represented by its Proprietor Sri Venkatesan, Ground Floor, Old No. 12/20, New No. 12/61/3, 2nd Cross, 6th Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560010
D2. Sri Venkatesan,
S/o Sri Sivaraman, No. 12/20, 2nd Cross, 6th Block, Behind Rajesh Tailor, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru- 560010

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted above said suit against you for recovery of Rs. 13,48,256/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Forty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Six Only) together with interest @ 24% p.a., cost of the suit and to grant such other or further order relief. The above mentioned Defendant hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble 72nd Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH - 73) in person or through a Counsel who can able to answer the claim made against you on 07/04/2026 at 11.00 a.m. failing which the suit is heard and disposed ex- parte.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this 28/02/2026.

By Order of the Hon'ble Court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayo Hall, Bengalore

ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF
SA Associates,
No. 10, 7th Cross, Victoria Layout, Bangalore- 560047

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank (A Government of India Undertaking)
Regional Office, Devanahalli
NELAMANGALA BRANCH
Mob : 9674001154
Email : cb0445@canarabank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank** under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **09.01.2026** calling upon the **borrower Late. Sri S V KRISHNA REDDY (Deceased), Represented by his Legal Heirs & Co-borrowers : 1) S K Sunil Kumar (Son), 2) S K Mohan Kumar (Son), 3) N Prema (Wife), All are residing at :** No. 367, Singanayakanahalli, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, Karnataka-560064 to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice, being **Rs. 7,49,87,543.18** (Rupees Seven Crore Forty Nine Lakhs Eighty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Forty Three Rupees and Eighteen Paise Only) as on 31.12.2025 together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **18th of March 2026.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank, Nelamangala Branch** for an amount of **Rs. 7,52,41,232.06** (Rupees Seven Crore Fifty Two Lakhs Fouty One Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Two Rupees and Six Paise Only) as on 28.02.2026 together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of contiguous lands situated at Village-Singanayakanahalli, Hobli-Yelahanka, Taluk-Bangalore North as one composite property together with Two Warehouses (Godown-I measuring 56,250 Sq. Ft and Godown-II measuring 60,750 Sq. ft, Total 1,17,000 Sq.ft) constructed thereon in below mentioned properties :

Sl. No.	Sy. No.	Extent	Boundaries	Owner
1.	21/2	11 Guntas	**East :** Survey No.21/9 and 21/8, **West :** Property belonging to Mr Vamana Murthy, **North :** Property belonging to Mr Vamana Murthy, **South :** Property belonging to Mr Venkatappa.	S V KRISHNA REDDY
2.	21/9	30 Guntas	**East :** Raja Kaluve, **West :** Property belonging to Mr Vamana Murthy, **North :** Property belonging to Mr Venkatappa, **South** Survey No.21/8.	S V KRISHNA REDDY
3.	21/6A, 21/7A, 21/7B, 21/8	2 Acres 2 Guntas	**East :** Raja Kaluve, **West :** Venkatappa's Land, **North :** Remaining portion of the lands in Sy. No.21/8, **South :** Begum John's Land.	N. PREMA
4.	21/10	26 Guntas	**East :** Raja Kaluve, **West :** Property belonging to Mr Vamanachari, **North :** Property belonging to Mr Vamanachari, **South :** Property belonging to Naramma.	S K MOHAN KUMAR & S K SUNIL KUMAR

Date: 18.03.2026
Place: Nelamangala

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Sri.Rohith Kumar J,** residing at No. #23, 1st Floor, 2nd main, Anjaneya Temple Road, Opp Ranjitha Pharma, Ittamadu, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore–560085., has negotiated the purchase of the immovable property from its present owner **Smt.Gayathri Devi B. S,** residing at No.158 E, 7th cross, 19th Block, Arkavathy Layout, Chellekere, Bangalore North, Bangalore 560043.

If any person/s, Bank/Society /Firm or anybody having any right, title, interest or claims over the below mentioned property, may lodge his/her/their/claims if any in writing with authenticated documentary evidence, to the undersigned within Seven days from the date of issuance of this Public Notice, falling which it shall be construed by our client that there are no claims/objections of whatsoever nature in respect of the Schedule property and the intended transaction will be finalized by our client as if no such claims exist or that they have been waived or abandoned and our client will go ahead with the intended sale transaction in respect of the Schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Property No.207, Khata No.27, situated at Ittamadu village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently within the limits of BBMP Ward No.161 - (Hosakerehalli Ward), Banashankari 3rd Phase, Ittamadu, Thimmaraigouda Layout (T.G. Layout), 3rd Cross road, and measuring East to West: 40 feet and North to South: 30 feet, in all measuring 1200 Square feet and bounded as follows:-

East by : 25 feet Road,
West by : Property No.206,
North by : 30 feet Road,
South by : Property No.208.

Chandrika P. Shetty, Advocate,
No.22, Ground Floor, Tata Silk Farm near Yediyur Lake, Kanakapura Road, Bangalore-04.

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE ADDITIONAL DISTRICT JUDGE OF HOSUR
O.S. No. 549 / 2025

PLAINTIFF'S:
1.Mr. G.NARAYANAPPA,
S/o.Govindappa,
2.Mr.N.SHIVANNA,
S/o.Late.L.Thippamma & Narayanappa, Hindu,
3.Mr.N.CHOWDAPPA,
S/o.Late.Mrs.L.Thip pamma & Narayanappa,
All the plaintiffs are residing at Kotiganahalli Village, Harati Post, Kolar Taluk and District.

DEFENDANT NOS 11 & 12
11.Mr.SHANKAR REDDY,
S/o.Late.Muniappa
Reddy, Hindu,residing at Agara Village, Sarjapura Post, Bangalore-34.
12. Mr.M.R.P.NARENDRA BABU,
S/o.Malakondaiah, Hindu, residing at No.20, 9th Main, 2nd Cross, S.R.Layout, Basavanapura Main Road, Devasandra, K.R.Puram, Bangalore-560 036, Karnataka State.

NOTICE

The above Plaintiffs filed a suit for partition and separate possession and permanent injunction and other reliefs against the defendants. The suit is posted on 22-04-2026 for appearance of defendant nos. 11 namely Shankar Reddy and defendant nos. 12 namely M.R.P.Narendra Babu, hereby directed to appear in person or through pleader on 22-04-2026 at 10.30 A.M. before the above said court failing which the above suit will be decided exparte in your absence.

// BY COURT ORDER//
N. MANJUNATH, B.A.L., LL.B., ADVOCATE
M.S.No: 206 (A) /2008
#1, Venus Arcade, 1st Floor, Telephone Exchange Road, Near Court Campus, HOSUR - 635 109
Cell: 97904 66837

GENERAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the general public and all concerned that Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme, who was a partner of M/s. Housso Footings (hereinafter referred to as **"Firm"**), having its registered place of business at No.303, Prime Honey Dew Apartments, Next to Chaya Hospitals, Kasturi Nagar, Bengaluru-560043, has been expelled from the Partnership Firm with immediate effect pursuant to a unanimous resolution passed at the meeting of the partners of the Firm held at the registered office on 2nd February, 2026 at 11:00 A.M.

The expulsion has been effected after due issuance of notice of meeting and a show cause notice, to which no response was received, and in view of the serious acts of misconduct recorded in the minutes, including unauthorized execution of agreements and Memoranda of Understanding, misrepresentation of the Firm, misappropriation of funds, breach of fiduciary duties, and fraudulent acts committed against the Firm and the continuing partners.

With effect from the date of expulsion, Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme has ceased to be a partner of M/s. Housso Footings and shall have no right, title, interest, authority, or connection whatsoever with the business, management, affairs, assets, goodwill, or operations of the Firm. All authorities, mandates, powers, representations, and permissions, if any, previously granted to him to act for or on behalf of the Firm stand revoked with immediate effect.

Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme is not authorised to represent himself as a partner or agent of the Firm before any bank, financial institution, customer, vendor, contractor, governmental authority, statutory authority, or any third party/s.

The Firm shall not be liable or responsible for any acts, deeds, transactions, representations, commitments, borrowings, agreements, or liabilities incurred or undertaken by Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme in the name of or on behalf of the Firm. Any person dealing with him in such capacity shall do so at their own risk and consequences.

Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme shall remain solely responsible and liable for all consequences, claims, losses, damages, liabilities, or litigation arising out of or connected with any unauthorized acts done by him in the name of the Firm.

This public notice is issued in compliance with Section 72 of the Indian Partnership Act, 1932, for the information of the public at large.

For **M/s. Housso footings**
Represented by its Partner and Authorised Signatory
Mantena Praveen, Partner
Corporate office-No.303, Prime Honey Dew Apartments, Next to Chaya Hospitals, Kasturi Nagar, Bengaluru-560043
Date: 22-03-2026

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I,
B.S.N.L. Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001

O.A.NO.91/2022

BETWEEN
Axis Bank Limited,
Having Registered Office at "TRISHUL" Opposite Samartheswara Temple, New Law Garden, Ellis Bridge, AHMADABAD-380 006, interalia having its Plot No. 41. Seshadri Road, Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore-560 009, Email: rabuntors.collections a axabank.com
...APLLICANT

AND:
1. MR. SIDDA CHAITANYARAMI REDDY, Aged about 33 years, Residing at Flat No. 209, Classic Venue Street, No. 4, CZECH Colony, Near Neelima Hospital, Hyderabad, Telangana-500 018. PAN: B2OPS7810N.
Also at
MR. SIDDA CHAITANYARAMI REDDY No. 6/852-1, Near Water Tank, Saraswathi Puram, Rajampet, Kadapa, Andrapradesh.
2. MRS. C. HIMABINDU, Aged about 46 years, Residing at Flat No. 209, Classic Venue Street, No. 4, CZECH Colony, Near Neelima Hospital, Hyderabad, Telangana-500 018.
3. M/S LGCL PROPERTIES PRIVATE LIMITED, a Private Limited Company, Incorporated under the provision of Companies Act, 1956, having its registered Office at No. 12/1, Rest House Road, Bangalore-560 001
Represented by its Managing Director
...DEFENDANTS

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993

WHEREAS, the Applicant has instituted an application Under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act. 1993 against you for Recovery of a sum of **Rs.2,21,16,510.00** (Rupees Two Crore Twenty One Lakhs Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred and Ten Only) together with current and future interest and other relief's. The above Defendant is therefore, hereby directed to before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **23.04.2026 at 10.30 A.M.,** as to why relief's prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this tribunal on this **06.03.2026.**

REGISTRAR
Debts Recovery Tribunal-I Bangalore.
Sachin

PUBLIC NOTICE

On the instructions of our client, the General Public is hereby informed that Our client intends to transfer, convey, or develop the land bearing Survey No 38/6 situated at Gunjur Village, Thubagere Hobli, Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, which is owned by Dr. H. S. Shashidhara Kumar, Sri. Sridhara, Sri. Sudhakar G.A, Sri. Rajshekar G. A., and Sri. Bapu Gowda, more fully described in the Annexure below.

Any person or persons claiming to have any right, title, or interest in the Schedule Property or any part thereof, in any manner whatsoever or against the owners or objecting to the transfer / development of the Schedule Property should write to the undersigned within 7 days from the date of this notice with all the documentary proof on which they are basing their claim after which period our client shall proceed with the development on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the Schedule Property.

Annexure – Schedule Property

All that piece and parcel of immovable property being converted regularized land situated in Survey No. 38/6 totally admeasuring 6.10 acres (i.e., 5 acres and 1.10 acre A-kharab) located at Gunjuru Village, Thubagere Hobli, Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and bounded on;

East by : Road
West by : Sy. No. 38/2
North by : Sy.No.38/2
South by : Sy. No. 38/1

If you have any concerns, please contact us **M/s JURIS ARENA, Advocates & Solicitors,** Unit 306, 3rd Floor, The Arcade at Brigade Orchards, Devanahalli, Bangalore – 562110
Ph: +91 – 7829083572;
Email: info@jurisarena.in
Date: 23.03.2026

JUNGLE LODGES & RESORTS LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
#49, West Wing Ground Floor, Khanija Bhavan,
Race Course Road, Bangalore–01. Phone No–080-4055 4055/45
Website: www.junglelodges.com, E-mail:accounts@junglelodges.com
CIN-U55103KA1980SGC003775

No: JLRL/2025-26/SE0024 **Date: 18.03.2026**

TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Senior General Manager, Jungle Lodges and Resorts Limited., invites tender for Engaging Services of Company Secretary on Retainership Basis. The details of tender documents are available in the website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. **The last date and time for receipt of tender document (through e-Procurement Portal) is 26.03.2026 at 15:00 hours and the EMD amount is Rs.25,000/-.**

For any further clarifications contact 91-8046010000 and 91-8068948777, E-mail: support@eprochelpdesk.com

Sd/-
Senior General Manager

DIPR/CP/6389/MAA/2025-26

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED
1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
MR. VENKATA PRASADA REDDY Loan A/c No. 411900010898 Symbolic Possession Date : 20/03/2026	21/06/2025	Rs. 1743150.07	SCHEDULE PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of vacant Site/Plot bearing No.95, Devanahalli Municipal Khata No.2451/34/95, carved out of Sy.No.34, which is converted for non-agricultural/residential use vede O M bearing No.ALN/(DK)SR 96/2012-13, dated 19.1.2013 by The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Rural District, and formed as per layout plan approved by BIAAPA vide layout plan bearing BIAAPA/TP/02/LAO/05/2015-16, dated 17.10.2015 and situated in the layout known as "MERSUSRI SPRINGS", at Southegowdanahalli Village, Devanahalli Town, 4th Division, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, within Ward No.20 of Devanahalli Municipality and measuring East to West: 12.19 Meters(40 feet) and North to South: 9.14 Metyers(30 feet), in all measuring 111.42 Sq.Meters (1200 Sq.Ft.) and bounded on the: East by: Site No.90, West by: 9 Meters Road, North by: Site No.94, South by: Site No.96.

Place: Devanahalli
Date: 24.03.2026

Sd/- Authorized Officer
LIC Housing Finance Limited

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DALAI LAMA

EDITORIAL

"Wars can be prevented just as surely as they can be provoked, and we who fail to prevent them must share the guilt for the dead" — Omar Bradley

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— Ramnath Goenka

TELANGANA'S BALANCE BETWEEN WELFARE & INFRA RESTS ON ROSY ESTIMATES

TELANGANA has proposed a delicate equilibrium that many other states are trying to achieve—between increased support for education, health and welfare on one hand and long-term asset creation on the other. The state's ₹3.24-lakh-crore budget for 2026-27 includes an allocation of ₹2,34,406 crore for revenue expenditure and ₹47,267 crore for capital spend. This split signals the intent to address social needs without neglecting infrastructure. Two fresh proposals are genuinely progressive: the extension of mid-day meals to intermediate students and Indiramma, a scheme providing ₹5-lakh life insurance cover to 1.15 crore families. The allocation for education, at 8.2 percent of the total outlay, is up 15 percent over 2025-26, and health gets 10.4 percent more. Despite the increases, it must be noted that health and education in the state suffer from poor infrastructure. New schools, upgraded hospitals, modern laboratories and digital classrooms require far higher capital spending.

A closer look at the numbers offers another caution. The budget estimate of a ₹3.04-lakh-crore outlay in 2025-25 has come down to ₹2.81 lakh crore in the revised estimate—a shrinkage of about 8 percent. The most glaring cut was in central grants-in-aid, halved from the BE of ₹22,782 crore to the RE of ₹11,161 crore, exposing over-optimistic assumptions about devolution from New Delhi. Yet, a similar buoyancy marks some assumptions for 2026-27. State GST alone is budgeted to yield over ₹52,000 crore, while sales taxes and excise form another large chunk. These are vulnerable to headline inflation, which could rise sharply if the West Asia crisis persists. A revenue surplus of ₹6,857 crore has been projected, a cushion that's paper-thin.

The state plans to raise roughly ₹60,000 crore in fresh debt, taking the cumulative public debt beyond ₹5.62 lakh crore (without off-budget borrowings); the fiscal deficit is set to climb to ₹58,458 crore. Given that the outstanding guarantees stand at ₹3.01 lakh crore, even if 10 percent is invoked, another ₹30,000 crore would be added to the deficit. Equally risky is the expectation of central grants-in-aid jumping to over ₹24,000 crore.

The core weakness is the dwindling share of the state's own revenues. Telangana must focus on widening its tax base, improving compliance and promoting non-tax revenues. Only then can the state have a better defence to external shocks and create genuine fiscal space for infrastructure upgrades that health and education desperately need.

SECURITY NET IN SIMILIPAL CAN'T BE ALLOWED TO SLIP

THE recent seizure of a melanistic tiger's skin does not augur well for Odisha's Similipal Tiger Reserve for two reasons. One, Similipal is the only place in the world where big cats with such a genetic mutation are found, and two, it is a low-density tiger habitat. This was the second such seizure in 15 months, which means poaching is thriving in the national park despite heightened surveillance. In the latest case, a forest department team seized the hide from a group trying to sell it. Preliminary investigation shows the tiger was killed about a month back. Nine persons have been arrested and efforts are on to establish the poachers' modus operandi. Of the nine tiger deaths reported in Odisha over the last four years, most were from the larger Similipal landscape.

Similipal's tigers have a chequered history. From a stable population in the 1990s, they witnessed a near-collapse in the mid-2000s when Maoist activities peaked. Despite efforts, the national park remained a low-density habitat and its in-bred population was always marked as vulnerable. That's why the National Tiger Conservation Authority suggested supplementation to strengthen the gene pool and two tigers were brought in from the Tadoba-Andhari reserve in Maharashtra in 2024. According to last year's census, Similipal was home to 32 tigers, 19 of which were pseudo-melanistic in nature. One of the largest and oldest tiger reserves in the country, Similipal is spread over 2,745 sq km and its landscape poses a stiff challenge for the park's managers. The reserve's porous boundary dotted with human habitations has always attracted poachers, who use the area's forest-dependent population to do their bidding. Their illegal network in the habitat is also marked by elephant and leopard poaching.

Over the last couple of years, the government has armed the reserve's managers with increased surveillance support. Intrusion has been detected and firearms seized with the help of some of the 220 AI-enabled cameras installed. But clearly, gaps exist in the security cordon. The future of Odisha's tigers is heavily dependent on Similipal, as it holds the state's entire population. That's why the government must spare no effort in keeping its big cats together and safe.

QUICK TAKE

USE FUNDS, DEVISE SOLUTION

THE government on Monday indirectly admitted its failure in installing effective air purification systems. It informed Parliament that the Delhi and Mumbai IITs had found the two smog towers in Delhi's Connaught Place and Anand Vihar, installed at a cost of ₹35.59 crore, only marginally effective in guzzling particulate matter, that too within a 400-metre radius. This comes weeks after a parliamentary committee flagged underuse of budgeted funds by the ministry of environment in 2024-25 (72 percent) and 2025-26 (68 percent up to January 31), with some large gaps, ironically, in the ministry's pollution control scheme. This is not a fight we can give up on—it's time to use the allocation to its fullest extent and ask the smartest brains to devise longer-term solutions.

The cost of war is inevitably passed on to economic, social and political arenas. Yet we seem all too ready to start one often, erasing the painstaking gains of civilisation

WHEN THE WAR COMES TO HAUNT EVERY CONSUMER

HARISH BIJOOR

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MANDAR PARDIKAR

AS you read this, there are over 120 armed conflicts and anything between 11 and 30 full-scale wars on around the world, depending on whom you ask. According to the International Committee of the Red Cross, we are living amid the highest number of active conflicts since the Second World War.

While major ones like the tussle between Ukraine and Russia are remembered the most (though it now seems to be relegated to the status of 'business as usual' on yet another war day), the latest one to hit our television and smart-phone screens is the three-week-long US-Israel-Iran conflict. The fact is that there is a war on in our lives.

Wars do not stay restricted to those who wage it. In today's inter-connected global order, it touches all of us. That touch can be as lethal as an intercontinental ballistic missile—named differently and fancily by every nation to suit the ego of its warriors—that lands at your doorstep, if not on you. Alternatively, the daily heavy touch of the gas shortage in India, a petroleum shortage tomorrow or, for that matter, shortage of every kind of energy we have deemed fit to be of critical use in our lives the day after tomorrow.

Wars cause scarcity. They hike up prices for the poor. They create hardship for the deprived and the distanced. The only ones who seem to love a war are those rich enough to face the brunt of everything that can be thrown at their faces. To that extent, wars are for the rich and most certainly not for the poor.

Let me then think out the futility of a war. It helps no one. Yet it tends to soothe some egos. And at the same times, it tends to be as barbaric as we were once upon a time, before civilised society set up laws and rules to govern ourselves. Wars destroy every covenant of peace that has been decided upon by a society of people. Wars ruffle nations, regions and the world at large. Fortunately, the planet and the cosmos are not really concerned, as they know we are all too small in their scheme of things.

Modern society has put together two notions. One is called the 'act of war' and the other the 'act of god'. Nothing ruffles living society more than these two phrases. Under an act of war status, anything goes. Everything is fair in war and love. And therefore everything goes. As we see today, every rule is binned and every covenant shredded.

Innocent children are killed, civilians injured, medical facilities destroyed, social, political, economic and religious infrastructure destroyed at will. That is the nature of war. And this current war in our lives is no different.

As both sides of the active warring parties test out the efficacy of their stockpiles of arms and exhaust their inventories on a first-in-first-out basis, arms suppliers are in a state of glee. A glee they will not show overtly. More the war, greater the fear and higher the profit. The stock prices of those involved in war are up as of now, as a peek into the names of everyone involved in the defence sector would show. As an aside, I wonder why it is called the defence sector at all. It sure is the offence sector today.

Therefore, there are beneficiaries of war just as there are those who suffer from its direct and collateral damages. To an extent, if one is to carefully analyse the deeper meaning and intent in it all, the suppliers of drones, bombs and missiles are licking their lips in anticipation as they are watching the war unfold on their smart-phones. Those who fuel the war economy are excited.

And then there are those who suffer the direct hits of these missiles. There are civilians and military personnel who lose their lives. There are schools and hospitals and churches and mosques that are destroyed. They will need to be re-built. There are critical pieces of economic infrastructure like gas fields and pipelines that will need to be re-built.

And finally, there are those who will pay for this and every war. It is eventually the end consumer and the citizen in every country who suffers the collateral damage of a war. In India today, it is the common man who is running around for cooking gas cylinders. I recently went on road trips in Assam and Karnataka. Outside many village homes you pass by, you see gas cylinders kept outside, by the road. These are empty cylinders kept out in the hope that a truck would pass by and leave a replacement.

I am told that not even the tip of this iceberg of shortage has been felt by us yet. Induction electric stoves are flying off the shelves and the burden on our electricity grid is going to go up substantially. Electricity bills will bloat. Inflation is waiting to soar. The price of everything has a reason to soar. That one reason today is the three-letter word 'war'.

While the direct hit of a war is lost lives, the collateral damage is economic and, eventually, social and political—never mind how far you are from where the bombs are falling. The bombs are not falling in India (even though one nearly fell on Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean). But the economic, social and political tumult is not too far from our living rooms. The first sign of it is shortage and the second one is price increase. Rising prices always cause social tumult, and social tumult has a habit of causing political tumult. War is a cascade of events that's best avoided by all.

And yet, we do not learn. We jump into wars all too easily. We let our egos run the show. We act first and think later. We get back to cave-man sentiment and cave-man action all too fast. When shall we learn?

The world has bigger issues to grapple with. The future shortage of drinking water is one. Pollution is a big one that is already in our midst, with air pollution the biggest of them all. Global hunger is another big issue, along with malnutrition. There are several other huge issues seriously challenging the world. And yet we choose to focus on war? There is something really wrong with the way we think. More importantly, the way we act.

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BRINGING BAHU INTO THE BUSINESS

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A recent proposal to the Securities and Exchange Board to recognise daughters-in-law as 'relatives' within promoter groups—led by promoter families themselves—for disclosure and succession planning may signal an important shift in women's roles in India's family businesses. It may be finally acknowledged that women's roles in business families can no longer remain informal, invisible or assumed.

This comes at a time when India's family-managed businesses, contributing over 70 percent of the country's GDP, are already undergoing change. For decades, they operated on an unspoken compact: ownership remained within the family, authority rested with patriarchs, and women, though central to the family, remained at the periphery—shaping values, resolving conflicts and preserving legacy, but rarely part of strategic decision-making.

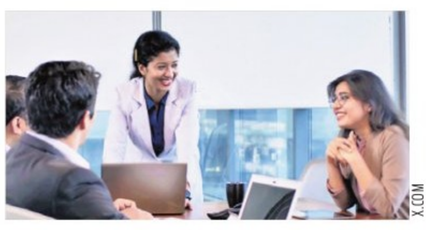
That compact is beginning to loosen. Across the country, women from business families are increasingly stepping into visible leadership roles. Yet, to see this as merely a matter of regulatory inclusion, or of "giving women a seat at the table", is to miss the deeper shift underway. Laws and regulations can redefine who is formally recognised, but they cannot, by themselves, determine who is trusted, heard or empowered. The real change lies not in structures or policies, but in mindsets—not just within firms, but within families, and critically, among women themselves.

The traditional architecture of Indian family firms reflected deeply gendered expectations. Sons were groomed to take over, while daughters—no matter how capable—were prepared for transition into other families. Women were often steered toward "safe" roles such as philanthropy, while core business decisions remained an inherited male privilege. That script is now being rewritten by three forces.

The first is education and exposure. Today's daughters return to family businesses with global degrees, corporate experience and a strong sense of professional identity. They are not looking for token roles, but want to contribute meaningfully.

The second is legal change. The Hindu Succession (Amendment) Act, by granting daughters equal coparcenary rights, has altered the economic foundations of family enterprises. If Sebi recognises daughters-in-law as relatives, it would extend this logic further, recognising that women entering the family through marriage also play a role in ownership, governance and continuity.

The third is the market itself. Investors, partners and consumers increasingly expect professionalism, transparency and diversity. Family businesses that fail to tap into their full talent pool risk not just reputational costs, but competitive disadvantage.



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Promoter families have asked Sebi to include daughters in law as relatives for disclosure and succession planning. Apart from company regulations, family mindsets need to change to hand women the reins. Research shows growth-oriented families handle such transition better

Despite these structural shifts, progress remains uneven. The difference comes down to family mindsets. Business families that operate with a fixed mindset—where leadership is linked to gender, birth order or tradition—may formally recognise daughters or daughters-in-law, but not trust them fully. By contrast, families with a growth mindset see leadership as something that can be developed, demonstrated and earned, and evaluate successors on capability rather than convention.

Our recent research on women in family businesses reinforces this. Across contexts, what shapes women's active involvement is not geography or industry, but the family's mindset. Families with a fixed mindset tend to create subtle but powerful barriers, while those with a growth mindset enable women's participation through three mechanisms: promoting meritocracy, involving women early in the business and fostering visible role models.

This is where the limits of regulation become evident. Sebi can recognise daughters-in-law as part of the promoter group, but it cannot ensure they are part of the decision-making group. That change depends on mindset.

Another crucial dimension is agency. Many women in family businesses still face a "legitimacy gap", where they have to establish their authority repeatedly. Women who see themselves as decision-makers are better able to claim and exercise leadership.

Some family businesses are recognising this. Still, it would be unrealistic to suggest that the transition is complete. Access remains uneven, particularly outside large, urban families. Social expectations around marriage and caregiving continue to interrupt careers. And the pipeline of women ready for top roles remains limited not because of a lack of ability, but because of years of constrained opportunity.

To bring about meaningful change, intentionality has to be present—embedded in governance structures. Transparent criteria for entry, role clarity and performance evaluation can reduce ambiguity and bias. Families must also create real opportunities for women to lead, decide, take risks and be accountable. Without this, inclusion remains superficial. And finally, they must make role models visible. Celebrating women leaders within the family can shift attitudes far more effectively than a formal policy.

The rise of women in India's family businesses is not just about breaking barriers. It is about rethinking long-held assumptions about how leadership is defined and what legitimacy looks like. Regulation can open the door. But it is mindset that determines who walks through it and who gets to stay.

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Dangerous ally

Ref: *The Gulf and illusion of its proxy security* (Mar 23). By now the Gulf states must have realised the maxim that while it may be dangerous to be America's enemy, it is fatal to be its friend. With more US allies coming to terms with the hard truth, we can expect the security of West Asia to be reshaped. As the fire of insecurity rages, India must tread carefully to promote the region's stability without getting its fingers burnt.

K S Mohana Murugan, Chennai

Drug prices

Ref: *Rising cost of war* (Mar 21). At a time drug costs are rising, we must heed what Swati Maliwal had pointed out: the vast differences between wholesale and retail prices of medicines that a parliamentary committee had reported in 2025. Citizens, in particular senior citizens, are curious to know whether the government has taken serious cognisance of such unjustifiable differences in essentials.

T M Uday Shankar, Hyderabad

Longevity test

Ref: *Modi longest-serving elected head* (Mar 23). This milestone marks a significant moment in India's post-independence political history. Undoubtedly, such longevity signifies sustained electoral mandates, administrative experience and political stability. However, the duration's true significance lies in its outcomes. Its real measure must be the extent to which it improves the everyday lives of citizens.

Vidyasagar Reddy Kethiri, Warangal

Regulate route

Ref: *Pilgrims' rush in first two months* (Mar 23). Chardham pilgrimage is seeing unprecedented increase year after year. It is high time this pilgrimage route is tightly regulated. A system of preference for old people and first-time visitors can also be instituted. Most importantly, the maximum numbers of visitors every month should be capped.

V H Subramoney, Bengaluru

Chickening out

Ref: *Trump threatens* (Mar 23). The US President should be reminded of a philosophical reply to life's troubles: this too shall pass. After all, who is bothered about his threats? Trump always wants to do something no other US President has done before and then chickens out if he is stood up to.

Philip Alexander, email

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
We remain and will always remain committed to the complete freedom of half the population, along with their protection, rights, empowerment, and upliftment.

Nitin Nabin @NitinNabin
On the Jyoti-Jot Day of the sixth Guru of Sikhism, Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji, we offer him koti-koti pranam. His life is a source of inspiration.

Bhagwant Mann @BhagwantMann
History is not just to be remembered, but to be lived. Naming buildings or airports after martyrs is a tribute, but our true duty is to instill that legacy in next gen

'One Nation One Poll will start from 2029 Lok Sabha polls'

JPC chief outlines rollout timeline, constitutional changes, costs & safeguards; says reform will boost efficiency, savings, and stability without hurting federalism

ONCE the Constitutional amendment bill is passed by Parliament and notified by the President of India, the earliest feasible cycle for implementing ONOE would be 2034. The process will start from the 2029 General Election," said Chairperson of the JPC on "One Nation One Election"(ONOE), **P P Chaudhary**, in an exclusive conversation with **Rajesh Kumar Thakur**. He described ONOE as a progressive reform for a mature and vibrant democracy, maintaining that political parties should rise above differences to support it in the national interest. **Excerpts:**

If the Bill is passed, before or by 2028, what could be the earliest possible timeline for implementing "One Nation, One Election"?
Once the Constitutional amendment bill is passed by Parliament and notified by the President of India, the earliest feasible cycle for implementing ONOE would be 2034. The process will start from the 2029 General Elections. This is because the JPC has unanimously decided to visit all states and Union territories before finalising its recommendations so that all stakeholders can present their views before the committee. As a result, the report itself will take some time to be laid before Parliament.

Which constitutional provisions need to be amended to implement ONOE?
The Bill primarily proposes amendments in Articles 82, 83, 172, and 327. We also need to examine other provisions of the Constitution and synchronise them with the proposed amendments. Inputs are being sought from every expert consulted.

Do you believe political consensus is achievable on this reform before it is introduced in Parliament?
Given its economic and policy benefits, I am confident it will receive support from parties across ideologies. Various members, including those from opposition and smaller regional parties, have expressed support for ONOE. This is a progressive reform for a mature and vibrant democracy, and I believe all parties will rise above differences to wholeheartedly support it in the national interest. ONOE is an electoral reform in the larger interest of the nation, not of any political interest.

Verbatim

Opposition parties argue that ONOE could weaken India's federal structure.
The fundamental change proposed by the Bill is an alteration in the alignment and timing of elections. Currently, elections to the Assemblies and the Lok Sabha are spread across different periods within five years. Once implemented, they will be held synchronously. I do not see how this change would have a detrimental impact on India's federal structure. Many experts consulted have affirmed that the Bill does not undermine federalism. India's first general elections after the adoption of the Constitution were simultaneous. This cycle continued from 1951 to 1967, covering four general elections. Even until the late 1990s, several states held Assembly elections alongside Lok Sabha elections. Today, as well, states such as Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, and Sikkim conduct simultaneous polls.

Recently, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin wrote about the feasibility of ONOE, comparing it with Indonesia's 2019 simultaneous elections. How far do you agree?
There are crucial differences between Indonesia's model and the proposal in India. The deaths of poll workers in Indonesia were not due to simultaneous elections per se, but because officials had to count ballot paper votes for three tiers of government together. All elections in Indonesia were conducted on a single day, April 17, 2019, with 154 million voters, using paper ballots. Such administrative and logistical challenges will not arise in India, as elections here are conducted in phases. This distributes logistical pressure over time. Notably, Indonesia relied on paper ballots, which significantly increased the time required for counting and placed a heavy burden on officials.

Is India administratively ready to conduct nation-wide simultaneous elections?
Immediately after Independence, from 1951 to 1967, several elections were held simultaneously. In the present era of technology, there should be no difficulty in conducting such elections again.

How does the panel propose to deal with situations where state governments fall mid-term under synchronised elections?
We have received numerous suggestions from experts and committee members regarding the concept of a remainder term. This concept is not new to Indian democracy and is already practised in local self-government institutions. In such systems, no-confidence motions are restricted for a certain period, and any fresh election is held only for the remaining term. A similar model could be applied to Assemblies and the Lok Sabha. Other options are also under consideration. These include disallowing no-confidence motions during the final year of a government's tenure and adopting the German model of a constructive vote of confidence. Since the Bill is currently silent on these provisions, the committee will consult political parties.

How many consultations have been held so far with state governments and regional parties?
This is perhaps the first JPC to resolve to visit all states and Union territories to gather views on ONOE. It is also among the first to have interacted with six former Chief Justices of India, former Supreme Court judges, a former Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court, and several senior advocates. The committee has already interacted with the governments of Uttarakhand, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Maharashtra, and Punjab, as well as officials in Chandigarh.

Simultaneous elections may require a significant increase in EVMs and security personnel. So what could be the estimated cost?
Estimating the number of additional EVMs and security personnel is primarily a logistical matter best handled by the Election Commission. I am confident in its ability to manage these challenges. The additional expenditure is unlikely to place significant strain on the exchequer. In 2014, the national budget was ₹18 lakh crore, whereas the recently passed budget stands at ₹55 lakh crore. An estimated ₹10,000–₹15,000 crore for additional EVMs would not be a major concern. Moreover, ONOE could save approximately ₹7 lakh crore.

But critics argue that simultaneous elections may favour national parties over regional parties?
That's a flawed assumption. ONOE is an electoral reform in the national interest, not for any political advantage. Both regional and national parties stand to benefit.

If implemented, would this reform be as transformative as past electoral reforms, such as the introduction of EVMs?
Absolutely. This is one of the most significant electoral reforms in the world. Very few countries have transitioned from asynchronous to simultaneous elections. India's model could serve as a precedent for others. Much like earlier reforms that improved transparency, efficiency, and voter confidence, ONOE can bring coherence, stability, and predictability to India's democratic processes.

SC: Right to life granted under Constitution applies to foreigners too

UDAYAN KISHORE @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court has said that the right to life granted under Article 21 of the Constitution applies to foreigners as well. A bench of Justices J B Pardiwala and K V Viswanathan made the observation ordering release of a Ugandan woman, Faridah Nakanwagi, 32, after noting that she was languishing in jail, despite securing bail in a drug-related case as she could not furnish a "solvent surety".

The bench noted that though the accused was ordered to be released on bail by the High Court on September 15, 2025, she continued to remain in jail as she had not been able to furnish the needed solvent surety. Noting that the woman was a foreign national, the SC bench observed that "even if she would have been released on bail, she might have been confined at the detention centre meant for foreign nationals".

"It is for this reason that, today, also no one has appeared on behalf of the respondent-accused," the bench noted in an order passed on March 18.

The bench said, "At times, an accused may not be in a position to furnish bail and solvent surety of the like amount due to his/her financial constraints, etc." Here is a case of a lady accused who is a foreign national. However, the fact remains that Article 21 of the Constitution would apply even to a foreign national sought to be prosecuted as an accused in this country."

The bench added that once an accused has been able to make out a case for bail, "then factors like financial difficulties, etc. should not come in the way." The bench then allowed her release on a personal surety bond.

Army working on 'Shaurya' drone squadrons for tanks

JAVARIA RANA @ New Delhi

THE Indian Army is working on raising dedicated "Shaurya" squadrons within its Armoured Corps to embed UAV-led surveillance and precision strike capabilities into mechanised operations, sources said.

The concept was successfully demonstrated during Exercise Amogh Jwala last week at the Babina Field Firing Ranges, where Southern Army Commander Lt Gen Dhiraj Seth witnessed a Shaurya Squadron in action. Sharing details on X on Sunday, Southern Command said, "Fielded in a realistic battle environment, Shaurya Squadron demonstrated the seamless integration of real-time surveillance assets with mechanised forces, attack helicopters, swarm strikes and coordinated firepower, enhancing battlefield awareness, compressing the sensor-to-shooter cycle and enabling swift, decisive battlefield response."

Sources clarified that the concept is still at a nascent stage, with more trials planned before it receives approval.

Currently, the Army fields around 63 armoured regiments, each equipped with about 45 tanks, including T-72, T-90 and Arjun variants. In the Armoured Corps, the regiment is the basic combat unit. A typical regiment comprises three combat squadrons and a headquarters squadron, with each squadron (equivalent to an infantry company) having around 120 personnel. "The Shaurya Squadrons will be equipped with swarm drones and first-person view (FPV) drones for real-time surveillance and precision strikes against armour and logistics targets," a source said.

"The aim is to compress the sensor-to-shooter cycle and push drone capability down to the unit level for faster targeting and engagement," the source added. In parallel, the Army is equipping tanks and mechanised platforms with counter-unmanned aerial systems to address the threat posed by hostile drones.

The drone-centric approach builds on a broader push to institutionalise unmanned capabilities across arms. In the infantry, the Army last year raised Ashni platoons, equipped with surveillance UAVs and loitering munitions for tactical ISR (intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance) and strike roles.

Aerial view

Army is creating **"Shaurya"** squadrons to add drone-based surveillance and strike capability to armoured units

Concept was tested at Exercise Amogh Jwala in Babina

Integrates real-time UAV surveillance, swarm drones, helicopters, and firepower

Still at an early stage, pending further trials

ARMY HAS 63 ARMOURED REGIMENTS, 45 TANKS EACH (T-72, T-90, ARJUN)

Each regiment: 3 combat + 1 HQ squadron, 120 personnel per squadron

Shaurya units will use swarm + FPV drones for targeting armour and logistics

Push includes counter-drone systems

MHA concerned over Pak spy ring in UP, orders countrywide CCTV audit

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

AS an after-effect of a Pakistan-linked spy ring, which was busted by Ghaziabad police, the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has ordered a country-wide audit of CCTV networks across major cities, including Delhi and Mumbai, sources said.

The advisory has been issued to all the state police forces in view of the vulnerability of the country's surveillance infrastructure, they said, adding that the countrywide review would go well beyond a routine inspection, as the authorities want a full physical verification of every CCTV unit, registered or otherwise, operating across sensitive urban zones.

"Police departments have been asked to map all installations, verify them with official records and flag any camera that cannot be accounted for," a source said, adding that special attention is going to be given to railway stations, cantonment areas, highways and routes with known military movement.

The sources said that the advisory has been sent to all the police forces following busting of a Pakistan-linked espionage network that did not merely exploit existing cameras but installed its own covertly at sensitive locations, including Delhi Cantonment Railway Station and Sonipat Railway Station.

"The group fitted their own cameras with solar power systems to ensure round-the-clock, uninterrupted footage, which was allegedly relayed live to ISI-linked handlers across the borders. The probe revealed that the network had tasked and funded plans to install more such panels in different cities," another source said.

The verification advisory aims to ensure no camera operates outside the knowledge and oversight of security authorities, the sources said.

Lok Sabha to take up transgender Bill today amid row

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AMID widespread protests and demands for the withdrawal of the proposed Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment Bill, the Lok Sabha will take up the matter for consideration and passage on Tuesday.

According to the list of business issued by the Lok Sabha secretariat, Union Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment Virendra Kumar will move the Bill to amend the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2019. The proposed changes in the Bill have sparked protests across the country. On Sunday, several Opposition MPs and activists called for the Bill to be withdrawn, saying the proposed changes could dilute the transgender rights.

The Bill, which was introduced in the Lok Sabha by Kumar on March 13, seeks to give a precise definition of the term "transgender" and exclude "different sexual orientations and self-perceived sexual identities" from the proposed law's ambit. Members of the community, however, argue that the proposed Bill departs from principles laid down by the Supreme Court in the judgment of National Legal Services Authority vs Union of India.

The language used in the Bill is vague, broad, and violates fundamental rights, and if passed, will lead to misuse and violence

A transgender

'No self perceived identities'

The Bill seeks to give a precise definition of 'transgender' and exclude 'different sexual orientations and self-perceived sexual identities' from the proposed law's ambit

Oppn to submit joint letter seeking clarity on Bill

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AS the BJP-led Central government prepares to implement the Women's Reservation Act, proposing to base the new legislation on the 2011 Census, the Opposition parties said they will submit a joint letter to the government seeking clarity and details on the proposed amendments.

The government plans to hold a special two-day sitting of Parliament to introduce amendments to the 2023 Act, which seeks 33% reservation for women in both the Lok Sabha and state Assemblies.

A senior Opposition member said that the decision was taken at a meeting of the floor leaders of the INDIA bloc chaired by Congress chief and Rajya Sabha Leader of Opposition Mallikarjun on Monday evening. The parties have decided to submit a letter jointly signed by all parties seeking an all-party meeting on the issue and to brief the parties on the proposed amendments to delink the implementation of women's reservation from the delimitation exercise. The INDIA bloc leaders will meet on Tuesday morning to chalk out the next step, said the leader.

While Union Home Minister Amit Shah met leaders of the Biju Janata Dal, YSR Congress Party, NCP (SP), Shiv Sena (UT), and AIMIM to discuss the proposed amendment, other opposition leaders from Congress, SP, TMC and the Left parties stayed away from the meeting noting that Kharge had earlier written to Union minister Kiran Rijiju seeking an all party meeting on the issue. "Some opposition parties attended the meeting due to a lack of communication. All the parties are on board with the decision in seeking an all-party meeting as sought by Kharge earlier," said a leader.

Women Reservation Bill based on 2011 Census likely to be tabled soon

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE Centre is preparing to introduce key amendments to the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam to enable its implementation ahead of the 2029 general elections, with a significant expansion of Lok Sabha seats also under consideration, sources said on Monday.

As part of this effort, the government is learnt to be engaging in consultations with opposition parties to build broader consensus. The government seems to be keen on introducing the amendment bill during the ongoing budget session of Parliament, before April 2, when the budget session ends.

Wider consultations with opposition parties have also reportedly begun to build consensus around the proposal. Under the proposed framework, the strength of the Lok Sabha could be increased from the current 543 seats to around 816.

Of these, nearly 273 seats are likely to be reserved for women, in line with the 33% quota mandated under the law.

The Women's Reservation Act, enacted through the Constitution (106th Amendment) Act, 2023, provides for one-third reservation for women in the Lok Sabha, state legislative assemblies, and the Delhi Assembly. However, its implementation has been contingent on the completion of the first Census after its passage and a subsequent delimitation exercise—both of which are yet to be carried out. According to sources, the government is now considering amending the law to enable implementation without waiting for these processes. The proposal includes using the 2011 Census as the basis for a fresh delimitation exercise, thereby expediting the rollout of reservations.

To operationalise this plan, Parliament would need to amend Section 5 of the Act, which currently links reservation to a post-Census delimitation process. As this involves a constitutional change, it would require passage under Article 368 of the Constitution of India, mandating approval by a majority of the total membership in both Houses and a two-thirds majority of members present and voting.

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge recently wrote to Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju, calling for an all-party meeting to discuss the modalities and roadmap for implementing the Act.

RAIDS

The NIA on Monday carried out raids at several locations in Kashmir in connection with a terror-related case, officials said. Searches were conducted in Kupwara and Kulgam districts.

16 HELD AND 10 INJURED AS 2 GROUPS CLASH IN UP

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	39	25	Mumbai	31	27
Bhopal	36	22	Panaji	32	25
Jaipur	36	19	Patna	34	21
Amritsar	34	20	Lucknow	36	20
Chennai	34	25	Port Blair	31	26
Kolkata	35	24	Imphal	22	15
Srinagar	07	00	Chandigarh	36	20

3 candidates, 2 parties, 1 identity crisis as party-hopping begins in high-profile Assam seat ● All observers deputed from outside the state

WELCOME TO DISPUR RUGBY

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

THE Dispur constituency in Guwahati is set for a high-stakes contest marked by political turncoats as Assam votes on April 9. The race features BJP's Pradyut Bordoloi, Congress candidate Mira Borthakur Goswami, and independent Jayanta Kumar Das.

Bordoloi, who spent nearly four decades in the Congress, fell out with its state leadership before making a dramatic switch. He resigned from Congress one evening, joined the BJP the next morning, and was named its candidate the following day. At least two BJP ticket aspirants—party MLA in the seat Atul Bora and the seasoned worker Das—were hit by Bordoloi's surprise candidacy.

Bora took it easy, at least on record, but Das spoke his heart out, launching a scathing attack on the BJP leadership, particularly Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma and state president Dilip Saikia.

"Because of 'CongBJP,' I was under tremendous mental stress for a long time. I feel better now," Das said on Tuesday, using the term to describe Congress turncoats in the BJP.

The BJP in Assam includes several former Congress leaders, such as Sarma, ministers Jayanta Malla Baruah and Pijush Hazarika, and former state Congress president Bhupen Kumar Borah, in addition to Bordoloi.

Targeting both Bordoloi and Goswami, Das said Dispur is unique in having "two Congress candidates," viewing Bordoloi through his past in the Congress.

"God has given me the responsibility to resist both and work for the state and community," he said.

Das also announced plans to launch a new party, "Trinamool BJP," to reflect his political roots. A BJP member for 35 years—with a brief stint in the AGP—he insisted his move was not aimed at weakening the party. "I am clear that I will form Trinamool BJP. People like the name as it carries originality," he said.

Das added that he filed his nomination secretly amid uncertainty and alleged threats from unknown individuals. "I wasn't sure what might happen or if I would reach the District Commissioner's office on time," he said.

Goswami, who left the BJP in 2018, expressed confidence that voters would reject Bordoloi.

"If someone can abandon his own people like this, how will he stand for Dispur," she asked. "Changing parties isn't unusual, but it should involve time, thought, and conviction—as it did in my case."

Bordoloi, for his part, is relying on the BJP's organisational strength. "We've limited time, but we'll connect with voters. I hope they accept me," he said, adding that he quit the Congress after "two years of insults," during which he felt "ignored and lonely."

BJP in firefight mode as party leaders switch sides

The BJP managed to keep dissent under control by assuring leaders denied tickets that they could not stop a minister from leaving the party.

During a visit to Haflong in Dima Hasao district, Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said that MLAs who missed tickets would be given meaningful responsibilities after the elections. Nineteen BJP MLAs were denied tickets. "If somebody is denied a ticket, that's not the end of the world for him or her. Maybe, something greater is in store," the CM said.

Hours later, Minister Nandita Gorlosa joined the Congress and filed her nomination. She will contest from Haflong, where she is the MLA. The Congress candidate, Nirmal Langthasa, withdrew, while the BJP fielded Rupali Langthasa.

For the Congress, this was a moment of relief after earlier defections. The party praised her as a strong voice of Dima Hasao who stood by her beliefs.

The BJP controlled dissent elsewhere. It appointed Bihpuria MLA Amiya Kumar Bhuyan as state vice president, stopping him from contesting independently. He had earlier criticised the leadership. A few other BJP MLAs, including Atul Bora, calmed down after being convinced by the party.

JMM announces list of 21 candidates for Assam

The Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) on Monday announced its list of 21 candidates for the elections to the Assam assembly. JMM is keen to shed its image as a regional party and emerge as a national political outfit, with an aim to woo about 70 lakh people of the tea tribe community, many who trace their ancestry to Jharkhand. JMM is eying Assam's sizeable tribal population.

294 IAS officers deployed as observers for 294 seats in West Bengal elections

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

IN a significant and unprecedented step, the Election Commission of India deployed 294 IAS officers as general election observers, assigning one to each of the 294 assembly constituencies in poll-bound West Bengal. All observers, brought in from outside Bengal, are tasked with closely monitoring the election process in their respective segments, following strict guidelines for the two-phase polls scheduled for April 23 and April 29.

Elections will take place across nearly 80,600 polling booths in Kolkata and other districts. A senior officer in the office of the state Chief Electoral Officer Manoj Agarwal said, "It might be an unheard-of initiative," noting Bengal's history of "pre- and post-poll violence". Another official explained that earlier, one observer covered several constituencies, but this time the approach changed after the Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls removed around 64 lakh absent, shifted, dead, and duplicate voters.

Officials said the deployment of so many IAS officers showed the Commission's strong intent to ensure free and fair elections. Compared to other states, Bengal received the highest number of observers. Assam got 51 observers for 126 seats, Kerala 51 for 140 seats, Tamil Nadu 136 for 234 seats, and Puducherry 17 for 30 seats.

A retired state chief secretary called the move unprecedented, noting that only 160 observers were deployed in the 2021 Assembly polls. He described observers as the Commission's "eyes and ears," responsible for reporting violations and, if needed, stopping vote counting. The Commission has also warned that repolling would be ordered if doubts arise about polling procedures.

Interestingly, the observers were drawn from BJP-ruled states like Bihar, Odisha, Maharashtra, Haryana, and Madhya Pradesh. They arrived early and were instructed to meet daily with candidates, parties, and citizens to address grievances. The number of expenditure observers was also increased from 80 to 100, further strengthening oversight. This reflects heightened administrative focus on transparency, accountability, and public confidence in the democratic process.

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Retired chief secretary

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Captive-bred vultures released into the wild

In a significant conservation effort, the Kaziranga Tiger Reserve (KTR), in collaboration with the Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS), released five captive-bred slender-billed vultures into the wild. This first-of-its-kind release in India is a major step towards rebuilding their population at the KTR. Established at Rani on the outskirts of Guwahati in 2007, the vulture breeding centre bred 56 slender-billed vultures. According to officials, the centre has reached a stage where the forest department can release 5-10 vultures every year. Kaziranga field director Dr Sonali Ghosh said the KTR was committed to the care of lesser-known wild animals and birds.

Increase in NF Railway solar power generation

The Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) has continued to make significant strides in its commitment towards green energy and sustainability. The total installed solar capacity across NFR has reached 31.890 MWp since the inception of the solarisation initiative in 2011. During the current financial year alone, an additional 22.734 MWp capacity has been installed. "During 2025–26 (till February 2026), the average monthly solar energy generation stands at approximately 9.18 lakh units, leading to an average monthly financial saving of about ₹68.80 lakh," said NFR's Chief PRO Kapinjal Kishore Sharma.

Awareness session on curbing wildlife crime

An awareness session on wildlife crime mitigation conducted for personnel of the SSB highlighted their crucial role in preventing wildlife crimes in the proximity of international borders. The session was conducted by well-known biodiversity conservation organisation Aaranyak and organised by the SSB's 64th Battalion. The session underscored a key message: effective border vigilance can be a decisive line of defence against wildlife crime. It aimed to strengthen preparedness of border personnel in tackling wildlife crime across the Manas National Park landscape as well as the frontier areas of the Northeast.

Ex-Punjab minister, named by victim's family, arrested in abetment to suicide case

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

AFTER pressure from the family of deceased Gagandeep Randhawa and opposition parties, former Punjab minister Laljit Singh Bhullar was arrested on Monday by Punjab Police in a case of abetment to suicide, even as Union Home Minister Amit Shah hinted at a possible CBI probe.

Police officials said Bhullar was arrested in Mandi Gobindgarh along with his personal assistant Dilbagh Singh. Before his arrest, Bhullar wrote on Facebook that he was surrendering voluntarily and dismissed rumours of fleeing. "I will never run from the truth," he said, adding that his decisions were guided by public welfare and faith in God.

CM Bhagwant Mann said, "No one is above the law, and strict action will be taken."

The family of the deceased demanded a postmortem by PGIMER doctors under the supervision of a magistrate and also sought a CBI investigation. Later, police said the family agreed to conduct the postmortem at Government Medical College Amritsar under magistrate supervision.

Upinder Kaur, the wife of the deceased, said they have filed a petition in the High Court and demanded that the other accused be arrested soon.

The issue was also raised in the Lok Sabha, where Gurjeet Singh Aujla sought action. Amit Shah said he was ready to order a CBI inquiry if MPs submit a formal request.

Four Congress MPs later met him and submitted a letter seeking a fair probe. Shah assured them that their concerns would be addressed.

Police said the postmortem will be conducted on Tuesday as the investigation continues.

In Gujarat, Rahul takes on Centre on tribal welfare

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Ahmedabad

SENIOR Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Monday launched a sharp political campaign in Gujarat's tribal belt ahead of local body polls, focusing on tribal identity, rights, and governance. His visit turned into an ideological confrontation with the BJP-RSS, as he connected issues of land, language, and economic control.

Addressing the Tribal Rights Constitution Conference in Vadodara, Gandhi began by redefining the meaning of tribal identity, saying, "I want to start with the word 'tribal'. If you came 2000–3000 years ago, there is no dispute that all the land belonged to the tribals. Your history is of losing land."

Gandhi also targeted PM Narendra Modi, accusing him of symbolic gestures without substantive support while contrasting welfare for the poor with corporate concessions. He also demanded a tribal census for fair representation.

Govt says no worries as fuel panic shuts Gujarat pumps

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

PANIC gripped Gujarat on Monday as pump closures and long queues were reported across major cities, forcing government intervention even as dealers insisted supply remained normal.

Several fuel pumps shut operations, and long queues of motorists snaked across key urban centres, exposing the widening gap between official claims and ground reality. From Surat to Ahmedabad, and Vadodara to Rajkot, visuals of waiting vehicles and anxious commuters dominated the day, even as confusion and rumours amplified the crisis.

Unverified messages and supply fears triggered panic buying, further choking already strained retail networks. As pressure mounted, the government stepped in late to restore calm.

Deputy Chief Minister Harsh Sanghvi said, "The government is fully prepared to ensure that petrol and diesel are available at all pumps. People should not pay attention to rumours being spread through social media. There is no shortage, and both the central and state governments are closely monitoring the supply situation."

However, the ground situation told a more complex story. Early signs of stress had already surfaced in Surat and Rajkot, where oil companies reportedly cut fuel supplies. Several outlets temporarily shut down and triggered a chain reaction of long queues at operational pumps.

Ahmedabad also began to feel the ripple effect, with select pumps closing and others experiencing heavy footfall, pointing to a growing strain on urban supply.

Amid this, dealer bodies sought to counter the panic. Ahmedabad Petrol Pump Owners Association President Arvindbhai said, "The queues you are seeing have formed over the last four to five hours due to rumours. There is absolutely no issue in supply from the government or oil companies. We are receiving petrol and diesel as required, and no directive has been issued to restrict sales.

Demand-supply mismatch

Sources indicate that rising bulk fuel prices, up by ₹12 to ₹22, have altered procurement patterns, pushing industrial buyers away from direct company purchases towards retail pumps. This is increasing pressure on public fuel outlets and intensifying demand-supply mismatch.

UP a global skill hub with trained workforce

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

Over nine lakh youths employed in various sectors

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WITH Uttar Pradesh set to emerge as a global skill hub, the Yogi Adityanath government has been striving for the last nine years to bring about significant transformation in the fields of youth empowerment and employment generation by imparting training to over 25.80 lakh youth in various fields through ITIs and the Skill Development Mission.

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"A majority of those, who have been trained in various fields as per their area of interest and skill, have already secured employment," claims an official spokesperson.

"Through transparent government initiatives like connecting the youngsters with skills, technology and entrepreneurship, the state government aims at making them capable of driving the state's economy and contributing towards making UP a trillion-dollar economy," he added.

As per the state government sources, under the Chief Minister Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme, over a lakh youth have been registered and are being trained.

In the wake of an emerging geopolitical scenario and rapidly evolving global economy, efforts are also being made to train the UP youth in modern technologies. "Training in emerging sectors such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), advanced computing and robotics, is being provided to prepare students in line with Industry 4.0. This will enable the youth of the state to compete at the global level," said a senior state government official.

"If this momentum continues, UP can emerge as the largest youth workforce and a major centre of industrial growth in the years to come," said a senior government official on the completion of nine years of the Yogi government.

Referring to the challenges, the state faced before 2017, the official spokesperson said prior to 2017, under non-BJP governments, unemployment rate was high and local employment opportunities were limited.

C'garh home minister spells out roadmap for 'post-Maoist' Bastar

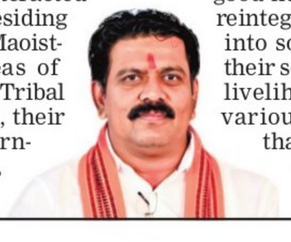
CHHATTISGARH Deputy Chief Minister **Vijay Sharma**, who holds portfolios of home, panchayat, and rural development, in an exclusive interview with **Ejaz Kaiser**, talked about the milestone achieved by the state government through the anti-Maoist campaign. **Excerpts**:

The March 31 deadline to wipe out Maoism is approaching. What is the current status?

We are determined that only the Indian Constitution prevails. Under the joint guidance of Union Home Minister Amit Shah and the state government, we have eliminated over 90 per cent of Naxalism. The remaining Maoists are simply counting their days. In fact, no armed Maoist presence exists in Chhattisgarh anymore. Maoists always remained destructive. They have spent decades destroying schools and infrastructure, disrupting public welfare services, killing innocent civilians among others, but that era of mindless violence is over.

Chhattisgarh was the epicentre of this conflict for 40 years. How was this herculean task accomplished?

At one point, 75 per cent of the country's Maoist strength was concentrated in Chhattisgarh. We executed a perfect operation plan by focusing on anti-Maoist campaign in Bastar. To win confidence of common people, we interacted with locals residing in the worst Maoist-affected areas of south Bastar. Tribal communities, their leaders, government policies, efforts of armed forces, and journalists helped in the rehabilitation of Maoists and ending their sway. The Chhattisgarh Model—which involves eliminating and rehabilitating Maoists and winning the trust of locals—might become a subject of research and study. To date, over 600 former Maoist rebels have visited the State Assembly to witness the democratic process firsthand.



Is rehabilitation of Maoists a test for your government?

It's a big challenge. But, we are working on it. Rehabilitation centres have been set up in good numbers for the smooth reintegration of Maoist rebels into society that will ensure their secure future, and better livelihood options based on various welfare projects, so that they can lead lives of dignity with their families.

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Market Watch

MARKET		GOLD*		SILVER*		FOREX	
1836.57 ▼	Sensex 72,696.39	₹10,320 ▼	24 carat (10 gm) ₹135,800	₹15,000 ▼	1 kg ₹230,000	▲ Dollar	94.03
601.85 ▼	Nifty 22,512.65	₹9,450 ▼	22 carat (10 gm) ₹124,500	₹150 ▼	10 gm ₹2,300	▲ Euro	108.22

*Delhi Mandi Price

● 2 LPG tankers on way to India, crude prices drop to near $100/barrel ● Broader market sees greater decline ● Gold price falls by ₹9,050 to ₹1.36 lakh/10 grams

US halts Iran strike: Crude falls 15%

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

GLOBAL crude oil prices eased sharply on Monday after the US signalled a temporary pause in military escalation with Iran. Crude prices in the international market dropped to about $100 per barrel after Donald Trump announced that the US would refrain from targeting Iran's power infrastructure for the next five days. In a social media post, Trump said he had instructed the Department of War to postpone "any and all" military strikes against Iranian power plants and energy infrastructure. However, Iran denied holding any such dialogue with the US.

Trump had earlier issued a 24-hour ultimatum to Iran to reopen the Strait of Hormuz for global shipping, warning that failure to comply would result in attacks on critical infrastructure.

Following the announcement, benchmark Brent Crude prices, which had been hovering between $110 and $115 per barrel, dropped significantly to near $103 per barrel. At 8:04 PM IST, Brent was trading at $101.4 per barrel. Brent crude futures also slumped over 14% from Friday's close, touching an intraday low of $96 per barrel — its first dip below $100 since March 11.

India said it is keeping a watch on the developments. "We are closely following these developments as we do," said Randhir Jaiswal, additional secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs.

Meanwhile, some movement has resumed in energy shipments through the Strait of Hormuz. Two LPG tankers have begun transit carrying liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), though officials didn't disclose many details about cargos. Rajesh Kumar Sinha, special secretary in the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, confirmed the movement of the tankers Jag Vasant and Pine Gas. The vessels have 33 and 27 Indian seafarers onboard, respectively, and they are likely to reach Indian ports between March 26 and 28, 2026.

However, a significant number of Indian vessels remain stranded in the region. As per shipping ministry, 22 Indian-flagged ships are stuck near the Strait. These include six LPG carriers, one LNG tanker, four crude oil tankers, one chemical and product carrier, three container ships, and two bulk carriers, among others. The cargo mix includes one LNG shipment for Petronet LNG, seven LPG cargoes—four for Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and three for Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL)—and four crude oil consignments, including two for Indian Oil Corporation, and one each for Reliance Industries and BPCL.

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Gold, silver prices crash due to liquidity woes, dollar rally

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

GOLD prices slumped by ₹9,050 to ₹1.36 lakh per 10 grams, while silver tumbled ₹15,000 to ₹2.30 lakh per kg in Delhi on Monday, even as geopolitical uncertainties persist. Typically, during periods of economic and geopolitical stress, gold and silver—considered safe-haven assets—tend to rally. This time the trend has reversed.

After touching a peak of ₹1.7 lakh per 10 grams in March, gold has fallen to ₹1.36 lakh. Silver, which breached ₹3.5 lakh per kg in January, has declined to ₹2.3 lakh. The sharp correction raises a key question as to why the yellow and white metals have lost their safe-haven appeal amid the ongoing West Asia conflict.

This divergence is particularly striking when compared with earlier episodes such as Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, Israel's attack on Hamas in October 2023, and its strike on Iran in June 2025. Renisha Chainani, research head at gold trading platform Augmont, said gold and silver have not structurally lost their safe-haven status but their behaviour in the current cycle has temporarily shifted.

"In periods of acute stress, markets prioritise liquidity over safety, prompting investors to sell gold — one of the most liquid assets — to raise cash. This creates a short-term disconnect where gold falls despite rising geopolitical risks. Additionally, higher real yields and a stronger dollar have increased opportunity cost of holding non-yielding assets like gold and silver, further pressuring prices.

"Geopolitical tensions are also fuelling inflation, reinforcing central bank hawkishness rather than supporting gold," she said.

West Asia crisis: Sensex falls 2.5%, investors lose ₹13.5L cr

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC equity market crashed again on Monday as tensions in West Asia show no signs of de-escalation. The BSE Sensex fell 1,837 points, or 2.46%, to end at 72,696, while the NSE Nifty50 declined 602 points, or 2.6%, to 22,512. Notably, this marked the lowest closing level since April 2025.

Investors' lost ₹13.5 lakh crore within minutes as the overall market capitalisation of BSE-listed firms came down to ₹415.21 lakh crore from ₹428.76 lakh crore on Friday. The broader market saw severe damage, with the Nifty Midcap 100 and Nifty Smallcap 100 indices falling about 4% each. Out of the Nifty 500 universe, only 15 stocks managed to close in the positive territory, underlining the intensity and widespread nature of the sell-off across market.

Meanwhile, the market may open positively on Tuesday as Brent crude prices fell about $17, or 15%, from the day's high to the session's low of $96/barrel after US President Donald Trump said he would order the military to postpone any strikes against Iranian power plants and energy infrastructure for 5 days. Following this, Gift Nifty surged over 3% and key European Indices turned green with sharp gains. US' Down Futures also advanced about 2%, reflecting renewed optimism.

Monday's fall is attributed to geopolitical tensions turning for the worse during the weekend as Trump issued ultimatum, warning of strikes on Iran's power grid unless Tehran restores access to the Strait of Hormuz. Iran retaliated with threats to target key infrastructure throughout West Asia if the US attacks its power plants.

The escalation, now in its fourth week, has crippled shipments via the Strait, a choke-point funnelling about 20% of global oil supply, 40% of India's oil import and a third of the liquefied natural gas trade.

Rupee breaches 94 level amid global uncertainties

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THE rupee got pounded further on Monday, breaching the psychologically sensitive 94 level for the first time, slumping 50 paise to a new closing low of 94.03 as spiralling crude prices and unabated foreign fund outflows unnerved investors.

Adding to the pain is the strengthening dollar, which rose more than 0.6% to 99.8 and a steep decline in the domestic equity markets, which saw yet another 2.5% fall on Monday, traders said.

The bleeding rupee also had its impact on the yield on the 10-year benchmark bonds, which rose 6 bps to 6.796%, the highest in more than a year as investors fretted over rising US treasury yields and elevated energy prices. However, traders expect a breather for the beleaguered rupee from the five-day back down that US president Donald Trump announced later in the day from attacking Iranian energy assets from Monday mid-night.

Anindya Banerjee, head of commodities and currency research at Kotak Securities, told TNIE that the weakness in rupee is driven by external shocks linked to the closure of the Strait of Hormuz, which have pushed energy prices higher and created a tight global dollar liquidity environment.

"In March alone, FPIs have pulled out over $11 billion, a scale of outflows last seen during the March 2020 Covid lockdown phase, highlighting the intensity of selling pressure on the rupee," he said.

EXPRESS READ

CMPDIL's IPO subscribed 25% on second day

NEW DELHI: The initial public offer of Central Mine Planning & Design Institute, an arm of Coal India, received 25% subscription on the second day of bidding on Monday.The IPO got bids for 2,02,84,720 shares against 7,97,89,500 shares on offer. The portion for Qualified Institutional Buyers (QIBs) received 62% subscription. The category for Retail Individual Investors received 17% subscription and the quota for non-institutional investors got subscribed 8%. *ENS*

I-T dept slaps ₹4k cr tax under Black Money Act

NEW DELHI: The income tax department has imposed ₹4,009.64 crore tax on undisclosed foreign income and assets under the Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax, 2015 in the nine months of the current fiscal till December 2025. During the fiscal 2024-25, ₹4,556.64 crore tax was imposed. The information was provided by Minister of State for Finance Pankaj Chaudhary in a written reply to the Lok Sabha on Monday. *ENS*

Sebi to probe former HDFC chair's exit; asks directors to act responsibly

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

MARKET regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) has taken a serious note of the unverified and unsubstantiated allegations in the surprise resignation letter of Atanu Chakraborty, former chairman of HDFC Bank, last Wednesday, and said it will launch a probe to ascertain the reasons behind his departure.

HDFC Bank chief executive Shashidhar Jagdishan has also indicated that the bank may pursue legal remedies against Chakraborty over his claims, adding that it is already in touch with a law firm.

"Sebi will conduct a detailed investigation into the circumstances surrounding the resignation of Chakraborty as the non-executive chairman of HDFC Bank," Sebi Chairman Tuhin Kanta Pandey said on Monday. Chakraborty had cited unspecified issues from the past that were "not congruent with his ethics and values" in his resignation letter.

"Independent directors who hold positions of significant responsibility and accountability within corporate governance frameworks must act responsibly. They should not make insinuations without proper evidence," Pandey said in a message aimed at independent directors. Addressing the media after a board meeting here on Monday, Pandey spoke out strongly in the aftermath of Chakraborty's resignation. His remarks came a day after the RBI backed the bank's management.

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Tuhin Kanta Pandey, chairman, Sebi

"The resignation had caused concern among investors. Sebi will investigate all aspects of the matter to bring out facts," he said. Since the sudden exit, the bank's stock has fallen over 10% from its pre-Wednesday levels, eroding ₹1.3 lakh crore in investor wealth. Pandey said directors are duty-bound to safeguard interests of minority shareholders and uphold high standards of governance.

"No one is expected to make insinuations without proper evidence and records," he said, cautioning that vague statements can create unnecessary uncertainty in the market.

Highlighting existing mechanisms, Pandey noted that independent directors have adequate channels to raise concerns, including formally reporting issues to the board and ensuring they are recorded in official minutes.

Sebi Board okays conflict of interest code for officials; eases exit norms for AIFs

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

THE Securities and Exchange Board (Sebi) Board, which met here on Monday, approved a revised code of conduct to govern the issues of conflicts of interest for its whole-time members (WTMs) and other senior officials, while referring certain critical provisions to the government for consideration.

The Board has also announced a slew of other decisions such as allowing alternative investment funds (AIFs) greater flexibility in exit norms, more freedom to handle residual assets and liabilities after the end of their tenure; permitting net settlement of funds for transactions done by FPIs in cash market and also relaxing investment norms for Invits and Reits.

The code of conduct and stricter disclosure norms for senior Sebi officials comes after recommendations by a high-level committee — one of the first major decisions taken by current chairman Tuhin Kanta Pandey soon after taking over in March 2025 — chaired by former chief vigilance commissioner Pratyush Sinha. The panel had called for a comprehensive, legally enforceable system to replace the regulator's existing and fragmented code.

The setting up of the panel was necessitated by allegations against the past chair Madhabi Puri Buch of not making adequate disclosures about her income as well as investments as well as that of her husband during and prior to her joining the Sebi as its chairperson.

As per the Board's decision announced by Pandey here on Monday, key recommendations relating specifically to board members will require government approval.

TECHNOLOGY

IT cos shift to selective hiring amid AI adoption

PADMINI DHRUVARAJ @ Bengaluru

DOMESTIC technology sector is shifting from mass hiring to selective recruitment, with companies prioritising AI and problem-solving skills over volume hiring, as fresher intake remains below pre-pandemic levels, Rajesh Nambiar, president of Nasscom, told TNIE.

The shift reflects a broader reset underway across the industry. Nambiar said CY25 marked "a strategic reset across industries," driven by geopolitical uncertainty and the growing influence of AI. While sentiment has improved slightly, he noted that "growth continues to remain measured and disciplined," with overall technology spending expected to stay in the 5–7% range YoY. AI budgets are rising gradually as companies move from experimentation to scaled adoption.

He said FY27 is likely to mark a "maturation phase of enterprise AI spending," where companies balance quick deployment with longer-term transformation. Growth will become more uneven, with "tier-1 players and progressive mid-sized firms diverging based on domain depth, AI readiness, and talent capabilities." Companies are expected to shift towards "platform-led models," outcome-based pricing, and micro-vertical specialisation.

On concerns that agentic tools like Anthropic's Claude could disrupt services model, Nambiar said, "AI is unlikely to be adopted as a simple 'out-of-the-box' solution in large enterprises," he said, adding that firms will continue to play key role as "AI orchestration partners."

GOVT RESTORES RODTEP SCHEME FOR EXPORTERS

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

AMID the ongoing West Asia crisis, the government of India has restored all the benefits of the RoDTEP scheme for the exporters. In a notification issued by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT), the government restored the rates and value caps under the Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) Scheme for all eligible export products till March 31.

"Recent developments in West Asia have led to challenges in maritime logistics, including changes in routing and transit patterns. These have had an impact on logistics costs and shipping schedules for export consignments moving to or through the region. In view of the evolving geopolitical situation and its implications for maritime trade, the Government of India has decided to restore the rates," Ministry of Commerce stated.

Last month, the government halved the rate of duty benefits under the RoDTEP Scheme. The exporting community expressed disappointment and had sought reconsideration of the decision. The budget allocation under the RoDTEP scheme for 2025-26 was ₹18,232 crore. It was proposed to increase to ₹21,709 crore in 2026-27. But the budget allocated was ₹10,000 crore.

Under the RoDTEP scheme, the government refunds some of the customs duties exporters pay for imports of goods used to produce items for exports.

Corporate Laws Bill introduced in Parliament

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

THE government introduced the Corporate Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026 — proposing changes to the Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) Act, 2008 and the Companies Act to improve ease of doing business—was introduced in Parliament on Monday.

Though the Union Cabinet has already cleared the Bill, it has been referred to a Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC), comprising members from both Houses, for detailed examination and recommendations. The changes are expected to be implemented in phases.

"The Corporate Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026 has come here after two years of deliberations. The recommendations of the Company Law Committee (CLC) have been taken on board. The CLC included representatives from industry chambers, professional institutes, and legal and accounting experts. The report was placed in the public domain for comments, which were examined," Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said while introducing the bill.

Lok Sabha sends the Bill to joint Parliamentary panel

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The proposed amendments aim to recalibrate penalty provisions, replacing criminal consequences for several minor procedural lapses with monetary penalties, and simplifying regulatory processes to create a more business-friendly environment.

A key focus area is aligning the LLP framework with the regulatory ecosystem of International Financial Services Centres (IFSCs). The Bill introduces new concepts such as "Specified IFSC LLPs" and allows such entities to maintain accounts and partner contributions in foreign currency. It proposes permitting conversion of certain trusts registered with market regulators into LLPs, with automatic transfer of assets and liabilities. For companies, the amendments seek to simplify merger processes. The definition of "small company" is proposed to be expanded, along with relaxations in CSR compliance and audit requirements.

"These amendments aim to decriminalise offences, enhance ease of doing business, strengthen governance via an expanded role for Regional Directors (RDs) and the National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA), and align India's corporate framework with global best practices," said Anjali Malhotra, Partner at Nangia Global.

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Bid No. E-60/2025-2026 **E-TENDERS** Date: 19.03.2026

E-Tenders are invited for & on behalf of the President of India, for the supply of following items. Only e-offer will be accepted for which vendors must have Class III Digital Signature and Registration on **IREPS**. **The details of tenders are in the following sequence - S.No., Tender No., (Due Date), PL No., Description and Quantity. 1.** 03261019 (06.04.2026), EP Assisted Brake System to P.L. NO. 29180119, 118 set. **2.** 05255177A, (06.04.2026), Supply, Testing, Installation & Commissioning of EOT crane 5 Ton, 02 Nos. **3.** 05255304 (10.04.2026), Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Proving Out of CNC ATL, 02 Nos. **4.** 06261004, 02/04/2026, FSK Train Bus Part No. 29730211, 118 Nos. **5.** 09265002 (15/04/2026), Supply, Retro-fitment and commissioning of CAB MOUNTED COMPACT HVAC UNIT WITH BUILT IN INVERTER (1.75 TR cooling capacity) for HHP diesel electric locomotive., to PL No.18050025, 500 Nos. **6.** 10251078 08/04/2026, Development Tender for STUB SHAFT TAPER, PL No. 16140175, 30 Nos. **7.** 10251261B, 06/04/2026, Development Tender for SUPPORT- ROCKER ARM , PL No. 16130030, 320 Nos. **8.** 10251235, 13/04/2026, Turbo Lube Oil Soak Back Pump Motor (DC) Part No.- 16060222, 410 Nos. The details of above Tenders are available on **Website www.blw.indianrailways.gov.in** and **www.ireps.gov.in** **CORRIGENDUM NOTICE:- 9. Tender No.:** 04251104 **Bid No.:** E-30/2025-26 **Rev.:** 05 **Existing due Date:** 16/03/2026 **Revise due Date:** 30/04/2026 **Note:-** All other terms and condition shall remain unchanged.

PRO/BLW/S-64 — Principal Chief Material Manager

/blwvaranasi " Website:- www.blw.indianrailways.gov.in"

Public Works Department

Chikkaballapur Division, Chikkaballapur

I.F.T No.23/2025-26 Date: 18.03.2026

(For Road/bridges/building–Improvements/ constructions–As per SBDKW1,2&4 in Two Tender Document System (Two Cover)

On behalf of The Governor of Karnataka, as per KPPP Act 2000, the undersigned invite tenders for works in two cover system through KPP Portal from eligible contractors registered in PWD. Those interested in participating in the tender can submit the tenders **from Date: 18.03.2026 to 25.03.2026, Date: 02.04.2026 & Date: 17.04.2026 up to 04:00 pm**. Further details may be obtained from the above office during hours on works days or from websites **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- EE, PWD Division, Chikkaballapur.

DIPR/CHIKKABALLAPUR/R.O.NO:503/KSMCA/2025-26

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರೂರಲ್ ಇನ್‌ಫ್ರಾಸ್ಟ್ರಕ್ಚರ್ ಡೆವಲಪ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಲಿಮಿಟೆಡ್

KARNATAKA RURAL INFRASTUCTURE DEVELOPMENT LTD.

(Formerly Karnataka Land Army Corporation Limited)
No.1106, 10th Main Road, RPC Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru - 560040

No.EE-4/KRIDL/TENDER/2025-26/1287 Dated:23.03.2026

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

On behalf of Managing Director, KRIDL, Executive Engineer, BBMP Division-4, invites e-tender through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP) for the works with Tender Reference No.(KRIDL/ 2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT 43, 45 and 46 respectively) under two cover system with Approximate Project cost for each works amounting to Rs.995.00 Lakhs and EMD Amount of Rs.13.50 Lakhs. Interested Contractors/Firms who wish to participate in the tender can view, download and apply only through KPPP https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. The schedule of specified Tenders are as under;

Tender Publish Date	23.03.2026
Last date and time for online queries	30.03.2026, 17:30
Date and time for Pre-Bid Meeting	02.04.2026, 11:30
Last date and time for receipt of tender	13.04.2026, 15:00
Date of Opening of Technical Bid & Time	15.04.2026, 15:30
Date of Opening of Financial Bid & Time	22.04.2026, 15:30

For more information,visit **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer-4 KRIDL, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/6400/CCL/2025-26

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my client **Smt. Venkatalakshmamma and another** have filed the above petition for the death certificate of **Narayanamma W/o Venkataramappa died on 18-04-1984** at Bidalapura Village, Channarayapattana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk,. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Additional Civil Judge and J.M.F.C. At Devanahalli and the date of hearing **on 29-04-2026 at 11.00 A.M. in C. Mis No.181/2026.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
MAHESHA .P, Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public is hereby notified that my clients Smt.Roopa. T.M has lost/misplaced the original Allotment letter No.BDA/ADM/N.B II/VI//87-88, Dated:10-12-1987. And Possession Certificate (P.C.R) No.53/89-90, dated:23-09-89 issued by the BDA Bangalore, in favour of Sri.S.Ekambaram in respect of Site No.162, measuring 20X30 fts, situated at 6th Block, Nagarabhavi 2nd Stage Extension, Bengaluru. Regarding this my client have given a police complaint Report No.2073688/2026, on 20-02-2026.

Founders of the said original allotment letter and possession certificate kindly contact the undersigned within 05 (Five) days from the date of this notice.

Place: Bangalore
Dated: 23/03/2026 Sd/-

KRISHNA, Advocate
SRI SAILAKSHMI ASSOCIATES
No.29, 3rd Main Road, Chandrashekar Layout, S.G.Kaval, Bengaluru-91, Mobile:9448828781.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Mr.C.Venkata Anand, son of late C.K.Ramamurthy, residing at C-203, Needs 3 Project 276, Kalenaagrahara, Kammanahalli Main Road, Bengaluru-560076, is the owner of the property i.e., the Flat bearing Flat No.6, 4th Floor, New Door No.1, Old Door No.37, Plot No.94, 4th Main Road, Kottur Gardens, Kotturpuram, Chennai–600 085 and this Flat situated in 16.74% of undivided share in the said Plot No.94, measuring an extent of 2 grounds and 349 Sq.ft., comprised in Town Survey No.7/2-Part, Block No.16 of Adyar Village.

My Client further states that the Original Parent document for the above said flat i.e., through a Sale deed dated 04.08.2008, registered as document No.1352 of 2008,pertaining to the above said property was lost during transit, while he was proceeding to obtain photocopies of the same at RR Nagar Bengaluru. He also lodged a Police Compliant regarding the above said missing document at Bengaluru City Police Station and the same was registered vide Pettition No. 267/2026, dated: 15.03.2026.

So if any one has any right or objection over the said document please inform the same within 7 days to the below mentioned address failing which it is presumed that no one has any manner of right or objection over the same.

RAJASEKARAN B, B.Sc., LL.B., Advocate,
A-3, Guru Kripa Apartments, No.25, First Avenue, Ashok Nagar, Chennai-600083

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, bring to the notice of the public that on 17/03/2026, at about 11 AM, my client **M/s Valdel Engineers and Contractors Private Limited**, rep by its director Mr.M.J.Shantha Ram, carrying on business office at: 159, Midford Cresent, 4th Floor, Hanto Office Spaces, Richmond Road, Bangalore–560025, being the registered lease-cum-sale agreement holder along with possession of the said Land described in the schedule hereto ("the Schedule Land"), loss of "blue colour file" containing–

(1)the original lease-cum-sale agreement dated 27/05/2013 and registered as No.MLS-1-00893-2013-14, Book I, and stored in CD No. MLSD62, registered on 04.07.2013, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Malleswaram, Bangalore

(2)the original possession certificate dated.19.04.2013, issued in favour of M/s Valdel Engineers and Contractors Private Limited, by the KIADB, Bangalore.

all pertaining to the land under reference. he was carrying the said file with the said documents along with other documents which kept in the cloth envelop covers relating to the said land for the purpose of keep all original documents together in the office, in respect of the schedule land. He has lodged a police complaint to the Ashok Nagara Police Station, Bengaluru City vide Lost Report No.2115913/2026 on 18.03.2026 in this regard.

My client requests that the finder of the said documents may hand over the same to the said police station or to him or to my office. My client will suitably reward the finder. It may be noted that mere possession of the said documents will not confer any right on the person so possessing.

SCHEDULE LAND

All that piece and parcel of Land know as Plot No's:19 & 20(P), Corner in the Bangalore IT Park, Comprised in Sy No: Parts of 6 & 129, within the Village limits of Singahalli, Jala Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru District, admeasuring 12031.90 Sq. mtrs and bounded;

on or towards North by : KIADB 30 mtrs. wide road,
on or towards South by : Plot No.25,
on or towards East by : Plot No.20.
on or towards West by : KIADB 30 mtrs. wide road,

M. Keshavamurthy
Advocate and Consultant
09, 2nd Floor, 1st MainGanganagara Layout, Bengaluru -560 032.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public is hereby informed that my client **Mr. R. Srinivasa Reddy** of land bearing Sy. No. 133/2, duly converted for Non-Agricultural Commercial purposes vide Conversion Order No. BDS/ALN (E) VB/SR 439/2003-04, dated 07.02.2004, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, in respect of land measuring 1 Acre 37 Guntas and 3 Guntas of Kharab, in all measuring 2 Acres, situated at Bhoganahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, has reported loss/misplacement of the following original documents:

1. Original General Power of Attorney dated 12.2.2014 executed by Sai Srushti Infrastructure Private Limited and Mr. R. Srinivasa Reddy appointing Mr. H. Pilla Reddy as their attorney to carry out such acts as specified therein in respect of his share of super built area allotted under the Sharing Agreement dated 12.2.2014, registered on 14.2.2014 as Document No.VRT-4-00255-2013-14 (stored in CD No. VRTD207) in the office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar (Varthur), Bengaluru Urban District.

2. Original General Power of attorney dated 12.2.2014 executed by Sai Srushti Infrastructure Private Limited and Mr. H. Pilla Reddy appointing Mr. R. Srinivasa Reddy as their attorney to carry out such acts as specified therein in respect of his share of super built area allotted under the Sharing Agreement dated 12.2.2014, registered on 14.02.2014 as Document No.VRT-4-00256-2013-14 (stored in CD No. VRTD207) in the office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar (Varthur), Bengaluru Urban District.

Despite diligent efforts, the above documents have been lost or misplaced and could not be traced. A complaint regarding the loss has been lodged with the local Police on 13.03.2026

Any person who finds the above documents is requested to deliver them to the undersigned. The public is cautioned not to deal with or act upon the said original documents with any person other than my client. Any such dealings shall be at their own risk and cost and will not bind my client or the above-mentioned property in any manner.

Place : Bangalore **Date :** 24.03.2026.

Narendra Narasimhaiah, Advocate
No.537, Sriram Tower, Amarjyothi Layout, Domlur, Bangalore, Karnataka -560071
Mobile : 9945465000.

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರ ಎರಡನೇ ಅಧಿಕ ಸಿವಿಲ್ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು
(ನ್ಯಾಯಾಂಗಣ -17)
ಎಲ್.ಎ.ಸಿ ನಂ. 11/1998
ಕ್ಲೇಮುದಾರನಿಗೆ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯ ಮೂಲಕ ನೋಟೀಸು

ವಾದಿಗಳು ಕ್ಲೇಮುದಾರರು: 1. ಶ್ರೀ. ಮುನಿಗುರುವ, ಬಿನ್ ಸಿದ್ದ ಅರ್ @ ಕೊತ್ತನೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮ, ಉತ್ತರಹಳ್ಳಿ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು.

ಪ್ರತಿವಾದಿ: ವಿಶೇಷ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಾಧಿಕಾರಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

ವಾದಿಗೆ ನೋಟೀಸು ಕಲಂ.5 ನಿಯಮ 20 ರಂತೆ ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ವಾದಿ ಕ್ಲೇಮುದಾರರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದು ಏನೆಂದರೆ, ಪ್ರತಿವಾದಿಯು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಉತ್ತರಹಳ್ಳಿ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಕೊತ್ತನೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.20/7ರ 1 ಎಕರೆ 18 ಗುಂಟೆ ಜಮೀನಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯಿದೆ ಕಲಂ. 30 & 31(2) ರ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಈ ಫನ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯಕ್ಕೆ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ ಮಾಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಸದರಿ ಪ್ರಕರಣವನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 24-04-2026 ರಂದು ವಿಚಾರಣೆಯನ್ನು ಬೆಳಗ್ಗೆ 11-00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರ ಸಿವಿಲ್ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ನ್ಯಾಯಾಂಗಣ-17 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಇಟ್ಟುಕೊಳ್ಳಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅಂದು ತಾವುಗಳು ಖುದ್ದಾಗಿ ಅಥವಾ ನಿಮ್ಮ ಪರ ವಕೀಲರ ಮೂಲಕವಾಗಲಿ ಹಾಜರಾಗುವುದು. ಒಂದು ವೇಳೆ ಹಾಜರಾಗದ ಪಕ್ಷದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕರಣವನ್ನು ನಿಮ್ಮಗೈರು ಹಾಜರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಏಕಪಕ್ಷೀಯವಾಗಿ ತೀರ್ಮಾನಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

2026 ನೇ ಇಸವಿ ಮಾರ್ಚ್ ಮಾಹೆ 04/03/2026 ದಿನಾಂಕದಂದು ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯದ ಮೊಹರು ನಿಶಾನೆ ನನ್ನ ಸಹಿಯೊಡನೆ ಕೊಡಲ್ಪಟ್ಟಿದೆ.

ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯದ ಅಪ್ಪಣೆ ಮೇರೆಗೆ, ಹಿರಿಯ ಶಿರಸ್ತೆದಾರರು ನಗರ ಸಿವಿಲ್ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು

ವಿ.ಜಿ. ವೆಂಕಟರೆಡ್ಡಿ, ವಕೀಲರು
ನಂ.2, 1ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, 1ನೇ ಅಡ್ಡರಸ್ತೆ, ನೆಲಮಹಡಿ, ಮೌರ್ಯ ಮ್ಯಾನ್‌ಸನ್, ಗಾಂಧಿನಗರ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT DIVISION, BELAGAVI.
PH NO.0831-2463850 / FAX NO.0831-2423008

No.EE /MI&GWDDD/BGM/TND/AE/2025-26/5991 Date:20-03-2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (KW-1, 2 &3)

As per KTTP Act-2000 and recent Amendments the Executive Engineer Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Department Division Belagavi has invited the Item rate tender through KPPP (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in). Total 07 Nos. of Belagavi/Athani Sub Divisions. Estimate Amount Highest Rs.80.50 Lakhs & Lowest Rs.3.40 Lakh. 1.Tender Receipt Last Date:30-03-2026 Evening 4.00 PM, 2. Tender Opening Date:01-04-2026 Morning 11.00 AM (if possible), 3. For Tender Details office address: Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Department Division Belagavi & www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/-Executive Engineer, M.I & GWDD Division, Belagavi.

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-2134/KSMCA/2025-26

KSSIDC KARNATAKA STATE SMALL INDUSTRIES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD.

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Regd. Office: A.O. Building, Industrial Estate, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560 010.
Telephone: 080-2340 7011 to 25, Fax: 080-23143566
e-mail: kssidcho@karnataka.gov.in Website: https://kssidccms.karnataka.gov.in

No: EDP/ERP/OPTIM/EN/2026 DATE : 23-03-2026

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

SUB : Inviting tenders for Providing Design, Development, Migration & Deployment of Web-Based ERP software solution – reg

KSSIDC invites tenders through e-procurement system (e-portal) from agencies who provide service of Providing Design, Development, Migration & Deployment of Web-Based ERP software solution.

The tender document can be downloaded from kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 23.03.2026 onwards. The last date for submission of tender is 04.04.2026 upto 4.30 pm.

Amount put to tender is Rs.25.00 lakhs.(including GST)

For EMD and other details please visit our website https://kssidccms.karnataka.gov.in. For clarification please contact Sri.B.J.Anil kumar, Manager KSSIDC ltd, Mobile No.9739437295.

Sd/- Managing Director

DIPR/CP/6397/AKAR/2025-26

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bangalore -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SEC 13 (2) OF "THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.

The following persons whose names are mentioned in Col No.2, The details of properties mortgaged are shown in Col No.5. The borrower has defaulted in repaying the amounts due by them as shown in Col. No.4, in spite of repeated remainders, consequently these dues have been classified as NPA's as per RBI's guidelines. Notices were sent by Regd. Post to below mention date and that is returned / undelivered. Therefore, the respective borrowers are hereby called upon to repay the outstanding amounts due mentioned against their names in Col No.2 within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which LIC Housing Finance Ltd., would be constrained to initiate proceedings under sec.13 (4) of SARFAESI Act against the mortgaged properties mentioned hereunder against the respective loan A/cs to realize the amounts due to them.

The borrower attention is also invited as per Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, the right of redemption of the secured assets will be available to them only till date of publication of Sale Notice.

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrower & Loan No	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount (in Rupees)	Description of the Property
1.	MRS. RAJANI DEVI, MR. RAJESH KUMAR, Loan A/cNo. 412200000591	05/02/2026	Rs. 5,088,736.07	**SCHEDULE PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of property bearing vacant site No.5, Assessment No.51/1, Katha No.223/1, situated at Doddathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 15 feet and North to South 40 feet in all measuring 600 feet Sq ft, and together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on as follows: East by : Site of Sri. Dhanpal, West by: Temple, North by: Road, South by : land of Sri.Naryana Reddy.**

Place : Bangalore
Date: 24.03.2026

Sd/- Authorized Officer
LIC Housing Finance Limited

CHOLAMANDALAM INVESTMENT AND FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Chola — Enter a better life

Corporate Office: " CHOLA CREST " C 54 & 55, Super B – 4, Thiru Vi Ka Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai - 600032.

1) Branch : Lakshmi Arcade, No.2, 2nd Floor, Havanur Ext, Hesaraghatta Main Road, Bagalagunte, Nagasandra Post, Peenya, Bangalore -560073.
2) Branch : 1st Floor, Unnathi Arcade, 1st Floor, New No. 112, 1st Main Road, 1st Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560010
3) Branch : Municipal No.45, (Old Nos. 45 and 45-1) Second Floor, Lalbagh Road, Bangalore - 560027.
4) Branch : No.74/22, HV Arcade, 2nd Floor, Sy No. 751/2, Bagalur Road, Hosur - 635109.
5) Branch : Ground Floor, Akshay Square, Shop No.3, Gandhi Nagar, Bellary (KA) - 583103.

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13[2] OF THE SECURITISATION & RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

You, the under mentioned Borrower / Mortgagor is hereby informed that the company has initiated proceedings against you under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and that the Notice under 13 (2) of the Act sent to you by Registered Post Ack. Due for Borrower/s has been returned undelivered. Hence, you are hereby called upon to take notice and pay the outstanding loan amount mentioned against the said account with interest accruing there from within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the company will proceed against you by exercising its right under Sub-Sec (4) of Section 13 of the Act by enforcing the below mentioned security to realize its dues with interests and costs. It is needles to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other remedy available to the company.

Sl. No.	Loan Account No. & Name and Address of the Borrower/s	Loan Amount	Outstanding Amount
1.	**Loan A/c No. : HE01PEY00000040814, Demand Notice Dt. 09.03.2026** **1. Girenalli Krishna Murthy Lakshmikanth (Applicant),** No. 20, 1st Cross Road, Near Vinayaka Layout, Sai Compound Layout, Nayandahalli West, Bangalore South, Karnataka - 560039. **2. Radhakrishna Pushpa (Co-Applicant),** No. 20, 1st Cross Road, Near Vinayaka Layout, Sai Compound Layout, Nayandahalli West, Bangalore South, Karnataka - 560039. **3. Gowrishankar Transport (Co-Applicant),** No. 20, 1st Cross Road, Near Vinayaka Layout Sai Compound Layout, Nayandahalli West, Bangalore South, Karnataka - 560039.	Rs. 54,90,000/-	Rs. 54,94,157/- as on 09.03.2026 and interest thereon
	SCHEDULE 'B' (SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY) : All that piece and Parcel of the Northern Portion of Municipal No.20, Khaneshumari No.10, PID No.39-43-20, Old Khatha No.02, Situated at Nayandahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, New BBMP Ward No.131, Presently within the limit of BBMP and **bounded on: East by:** Remaining Portion of Property, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Remaining Southern Portion of Khaneshumari No.10. Measuring East to West 20 feet and North to South 40 feet, in all measuring 800 Square feet, along with building constructed thereon. Within the registration district of Bangalore and sub registration office.		
2.	**Loan A/c No. : HE01RJJ00000129581, Demand Notice Dt. 10.03.2026** **1. Sagar Gowda Kodavathi Nagaiah (Applicant),** No.136, 10th B Cross, Sanjeevappa Layout, Nagavarapalya, Bangalore, Karnataka-560093. **2. Manjula C (Co-Applicant),** No.136, 10th B Cross, Sanjeevappa Layout, Nagavarapalya, Bangalore, Karnataka-560093. **3. U M S Enterprises (Co-Applicant),** No.45, Flat No.206, 2nd Floor, Motati Meadows Apartment, C V Raman Nagar, Nagavarapalya, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560093.	Rs. 85,00,000/-	Rs. 88,77,903/- as on 10.03.2026 and interest thereon
	SCHEDULE 'B' (SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY) : All that piece and parcel of the Apartment bearing Flat No.204, As Per Computerized E-Aasthi in Form-A, the Property No.83-74-45/204, old PID No.83.74-45/204, on the Second floor, in the multistoried building known as "MOTATI MEADOWS", constructed and erected on land bearing B.M.P. Katha No. 45, (earlier House List Katha No. 51/2 to 51/7), Situated at Benniganahalli (Nagavarapalya), K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, within the limits of BBMP, with 364 Square Feet of undivided share in land, having 1180 Square Feet of Super built up area along with one covered car parking space, and **bounded on:- East by:** Railway property, **West by:** Nagavarapalya Main Road, **North by:** Portion of property retained by erstwhile owners and thereafter road **South by:** Sri. Gurumurthy Reddy's Property.		
3.	**Loan A/c No. : HE01GAL00000072165, Demand Notice Dt. 09.03.2026** **1. Madanapalli Sree Ramaiah Setty Amarnath (Applicant),** No.52161, Prestige Falcon City, Kanakapura Road, Konanakunte Cross Bengaluru, Karnataka-560062. **2. Amarnath Sarala (Co-Applicant),** No.52161, Prestige Falcon City, Kanakapura Road, Konanakunte Cross, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560062. **3. Prabhat Jewellers Gold (Co-Applicant),** No.18, Ground Floor, Jayanagar 4th Block, 10th B Main Bengaluru, Bangalore, Karnataka-560011.	Rs. 75,00,000/-	Rs. 72,98,298/- as on 09.03.2026 and interest thereon
	SCHEDULE 'B' (SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY) : All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing an Undivided 1/10th Share (234 Square feet) of the Property bearing No. 632, BBMP No. 632/18, PID No. 60-106-18 with Super built up area of 674 Square feet in Eastern Side Basement Floor and 675 Square feet right in the open terrace portion, Situated at 10th D Main Road, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore and along with building Constructed thereon, and **bounded on : East by:** Road, **West by:** Property Conveyed to Datta Prakash, **North by:** Common Passage, **South by:** Passage and Property No. 633.		
4.	**Loan A/c No. : HE01HOR00000047397, Demand Notice Dt. 09.03.2026** **1. Ubayadullah Syed Junath (Applicant),** No.177, Ward No.23, Sapthagiri Layout, Near Moulya International School, Anekal, Bangalore, Karnataka-562106. **2. Jabeentaj (Co-Applicant),** No.177, Ward No.23, Sapthagiri Layout, Near Moulya International School, Anekal, Bangalore, Karnataka-562106. **3. Tawakkal Agencies (Co-Applicant),** No.21/1, Kavalahosahalli, Near SLV Weighers, Chandapura Main Road, Bangalore, Karnataka-562106.	Rs. 35,00,000/-	Rs. 36,39,019/- as on 09.03.2026 and interest thereon
	SCHEDULE 'B' (SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY) : (Property covered under the Regd. Sale Deed Doc No. 7343/2017-18 Dated 16.03.2018 of SRO Anekal) All that piece and parcel of the vacant property bearing Site No 177, Old Janjur No. 177, New Katha No. 150200102401000538, V.P. Katha No. SAP/177/177, measuring East to West : 40 Feet (12.192 mtrs) and North to South : 30 Feet (9.144) Totally measuring 1200 Sq. Feet with 111.48 Sq. mtrs RCC roofed house flooring mosaic, door & windows jungle wood, with bricks, property formed in the layout known as "SAPTAGIRI LAYOUT" Situated at Anekal Village, Homphalaghatta Village Comes under Samandue Village Panchayath, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, carved out of Sy.No. 208, measuring 6-00 Acres of Anekal Taluk, has been converted for non agricultural residential use vide Conversion Order No. B.Dis.ALN.SR.(A).81/2003-04, Dated 06.05.2003, Issued by Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore District and **Bounded on: East by :** 20 Feet Layout Road, **West by :** Site No. 184, **North by :** Site No. 178, **South by :** Site No. 176.		
5.	**Loan A/c No. : HE01HOR00000065662, Demand Notice Dt. 10.03.2026** **1. Subramani Venkatesan (Applicant),** Old Sy No.1/1, New Sy No.1/8, Marasur Agrahara, Bangalore, Karnataka-562106. **2. Nataraj Chithra (Co-Applicant),** Old Sy No.1/1, New Sy No.1/8, Marasur Agrahara, Bangalore, Karnataka-562106.	Rs. 60,00,000/-	Rs. 59,30,698/- as on 10.03.2026 and interest thereon
	SCHEDULE 'B' (SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY) : (Property covered under the Regd. Sale Deed Doc No. 1972/2016-17 of SRO Anekal Dated 27.06.2016) All that piece and parcel of the Property Situated at Bangalore Urban District, Anekal Taluk, Kasaba Hobli, Marasuru Agrahara Village, old Sy.No.1/1, New Sy.No.1/8, measuring 0-32 Guntas of land, which has been converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose by the Order No. ALN (A & K) SR.140/2023-24, Dated 22.12.2023 passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, as per Form 9 & 11, Property No.1/8, measuring 0-32 Guntas of land and **bounded on:- East by:** Eshwara Manya land & Prabhakar Reddy Property. **West by:** Road, **North by:** Devaraju House, **South by:** Eshwara Manya land. In the midst above said land with RCC Building.		

Date : 24.03.2026
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited

DEMAND NOTICE

Arcil/SME/OP/Hyderabad/BK/FY2025-26 February 18, 2026

1. Squanda Prefab World Pvt. Ltd. Formerly known as Skanda Prefab Industries Pvt. Ltd. Formerly known as **Nano Homes India Pvt. Ltd.,** #59/A, Beulah, Teachers Colony, Gunrock, Trimulgherry, Secunderabad, Telangana-500013. **2. Mr. K.Rama Raju, S/o K.Prasada Raiu (Guarantor),** H.No.2-159/9, Prapurna Enclave, Jeedimetle, Medchal Road, Secunderabad, Telangana-500055. And also at: **Mr. K.Rama Raju, S/o K.Prasada Raiu (Guarantor),** #59/A, Beulah, Teachers Colony, Gunrock, Trimulgherry, Secunderabad, Telangana-500013. **3. Mrs. K.Sata Devi, W/o Subramanya Varma (Guarantor),** H.No.2-159/9, Prapurna Enclave, Jeedimetla, Medchal Road, Secunderabad, Telangana-500055. **4. Mr. Suresh Arun, S/o Arun Armugam (Guarantor),** #59/A Beulah, Teachers Colony, Gunrock, Trimulgherry, Secunderabad, Telangana-500013. And also at: **Mr. Suresh Arun, S/o Arun Armugam (Guarantor),** House No.346, PID No.57-191-346, 16th Cross, 5th Pahse, J.P.Nagar, Ward No.57, Bangalore-560078. **5. Mr. S.V.Simhadri Raju (Guarantor),** #59/A Beulah, Teachers Colony, Gunrock, Trimulgherry, Secunderabad, Telangana-500013. **6. Mr. Hanna Suresh (Guarantor),** #59/A Beulah, Teachers Colony, Gunrock, Trimulgherry, Secunderabad, Telangana-500013.

SUB: NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 ("SARFAESI Act, 2002).

Re: In the loan account of **Squanda Prefab World Pvt. Ltd.;** / Formerly known as **Skanda Prefab Industries Pvt. Ltd;** / Formerly known as **Nano Homes India Pvt. Ltd.**

Dear Sir / Madam,

We, **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.** (in its capacity as Trustee of **ARCIL-TRUST-2025C-018 TRUST ("Arcil")** is a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 and is registered as an Asset Reconstruction Company with the Reserve Bank of India, under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 having its registered office at The Ruby, 10th Floor, 29, Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar (West), Mumbai- 400 028, issue this notice and state as under:

1. During the course of banking business, at the request of You No. 1, HDFC Bank Limited (the Original Lender Bank) sanctioned and advanced various facilities to You No.1. The said limits were renewed, reviewed and modified from time to time and the last of such sanction was done by Sanction Letter dated 08-12-2016, as detailed in the said sanction letter on such terms and conditions as mentioned therein. The facilities sanctioned by the Original Lender Bank to You No.1 are as mentioned herein below:

Facility	Limit (Rs. In Crores)
Cash Credit	Rs.8.50 Cr

2. Pursuant to the said sanctions, various facility and security documents/agreements ("Financing Documents") were executed by you Nos. 1 to 6, including but not limited to as detailed in the annexure marked as Schedule "A" hereto.
3. As security for the said Facilities, You No. 1, executed a Letter of Hypothecation dated 13-06-2012 and created a charge over the Stocks and book debts as more particularly detailed in the annexure marked as Schedule "B" (hereinafter referred to as "Hypothecated Assets"), inter alia in favour of the Original Lender Bank. Further, the said Facilities were guaranteed by You Nos. 2-6. In addition to the above, You No. 4 have created mortgage of the following property, inter alia, in favour of the Original Lender Bank as more particularly described in the annexure marked as Schedule "B" (hereinafter referred to as "Mortgaged Properties"). The said mortgage was created from time to time by way of deposit of title deeds with the Original Lender Bank which was recorded as listed below:
   Memorandum Recording Past Transactions of Creation of Mortgage by Delivery of Title Deeds dated 27-02-2013, 25-01-2014, 28-05-2014, and 16-06-2014.
   Unless referred to individually the hypothecated properties and the mortgaged properties described in Schedule "B" shall be jointly referred to as the 'Secured Properties'.
4. You No. 1 failed and neglected to pay the amounts due to the Original Lender Bank on the due dates and you also failed to adhere to or comply with the other terms of the Financing Documents. Pursuant to the said default in payment, the account of You No.1 was classified as a 'Non-performing Asset' in the books of the **Original Lender Bank as on 28-02-2018** as per the guidelines of Reserve Bank of India and the said facilities were recalled by the Original Lender Bank. In view of the failure of You No. 1 and the guarantors to comply with the demand in the recall notice, the Original Lender Bank filed an Original Application being OA No. 36 of 2019 before the Hon'ble Debts Recovery Tribunal at Vizag against You No.1 and the guarantors. The said Original Application is now being pursued by **Arcil.**
5. Vide Assignment Agreement dated 28-03-2025, the Original Lender Bank has assigned the debts due and payable by You No.1 arising out of the said facilities along with the underlying securities in favour of Arcil. Pursuant to the said assignment all rights, title, interest, benefit in and to the said facilities were assigned in favour of Arcil along with the underlying securities. As per the Assignment Agreement, Arcil has become the full and absolute owner and as such the only person legally entitled to receive the repayment of the facilities or any part thereof including the right to file a suit or continue and institute such other proceedings in its name and to take such other action as may be required for the purpose of recovery of the facilities as an assignee and not merely as a representative or agent of the Original Lender Bank.
6. The amount due, outstanding and payable jointly and severally by you Nos.1 to 6 to us, as on 12-02-2026, in respect of the Credit facility is a sum of **Rs.8,58,23,774/- (Rupees Eight Crores Fifty Eight Lakhs Twenty Three Thousand and Seven Hundred and Seventy Four Only)** with further interest thereon at the rate of 18% p.a. at monthly/quarterly rests plus applicable compound interest from 13-02-2026 till payment as detailed in the annexures marked as Schedule "C" hereto. All the expenditures incurred/to be incurred are also recoverable from you.
7. We hereby call upon you Nos.1 to 6 to jointly and severally pay to us a sum of **Rs.8,58,23,774/- (Rupees Eight Crores Fifty Eight Lakhs Twenty Three Thousand and Seven Hundred and Seventy Four Only)** with further interest thereon at the rate of 18% p.a. at monthly/quarterly rests plus applicable compound interest from 13-02-2026 till payment, in respect of the Credit facilities as detailed in the annexures marked as Schedule "C" hereto together with the costs and expenses as detailed therein. Please note that if the amounts mentioned hereinabove are not paid to Arcil within a period of 60 (sixty) days from the date of notice, we shall be compelled to take all remedies available to us, including those available under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 to enforce the Secured Properties, which please note.
8. This notice is issued under sub-section (2) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002. Please take note that failure to make payment of the abovementioned amounts together with interest and expenses till date of payment within 60 (sixty) days, shall give us the right to exercise all or any rights under sub section (4) of Section 13 or any other provision of the SARFAESI Act, 2002. You Nos. 1 to 6 are put to notice that the said mortgage/hypothecation can be redeemed upon payment of the entire amount due together with costs, charges and expenses incurred by us, at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tenders from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale, as detailed in Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002.
9. Further, you Nos. 1 to 6 are requested to take note that in terms of Section 13 (13) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, you are hereby restrained from transferring and/or dealing with the Secured Properties in any manner by way of sale, lease or in any other manner, without our prior written permission. You Nos. 1 to 6 are also put on notice that any contravention of the injunction/restraint as provided under the Act is an offence under Section 2 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002.
10. This notice is issued without prejudice to our right to initiate such other actions or legal proceedings, as we deem fit, necessary and appropriate under any other applicable provisions of law including but not restricted to the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 and Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016.
11. This fresh Notice under Sub-Section (2) of Section 13 of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, ("SARFAESI Act"), is issued to all of you in supersession of Original Lender Bank's earlier Notice/s, if any which stand cancelled and withdrawn.

SCHEDULE A

LIST OF FINANCING DOCUMENTS & TITLE DEEDS

Sr.	Financing Documents	Date	Sr.	Financing Documents	Date
1	Loan Application	01.06.2012	38	Sanction Letter	10.06.2014
2	Board Resolution	05.06.2012	39	MRPTCMDTD (MODT)	16.06.2014
3	Sanction Letter	07.06.2012	40	Memorandum Relating to Charge Over Fixed Deposits	11.06.2014
4	Master Facility Agreement	13.06.2012	41	Supplementary Agreement	11.06.2014
5	Demand Promissory Note	13.06.2012	42	Demand Promissory Note	11.06.2014
6	Letter of Continuing Security	13.06.2012	43	Letter of Continuing Security	11.06.2014
7	Undertaking Letter	13.06.2012	44	Supplementary Letter of Continuing Guarantee	11.06.2014
8	Letter of Hypothecation	13.06.2012	45	Declaration cum Indemnity	16.06.2014
9	Power of Attorney	13.06.2012	46	Power of Attorney	16.06.2014
10	Undertaking cum Indemnity	13.06.2012	47	Request letter for renewal of Credit facility	26.05.2015
11	Letter of Continuing Guarantee	13.06.2012	48	Request letter for renewal of Credit facility	22.04.2016
12	Request Letter for Enhancement	21.08,2012	49	Request letter for renewal of Credit facility	21.10.2016
13	Enhancement Sanction Letter	28.08.2012	50	Renewal Sanction Letter	08.12.2016
14	Memorandum Relating to Charge Over Fixed Deposits	30.08.2012	51	Demand Promissory Note	12.12.2016
15	Supplementary Agreement	30.08.2012	52	Amendment Agreement	12.12.2016
16	Board Resolution	27.02.2013	53	Allotment Letter	12.06.2003
17	Sanction Letter	27.02.2013	54	Possession Certificate	21.08.2003
18	Demand Promissory Note	27.02.2013	55	Sale Deed No.5375/2003-04	22.08.2013
19	MRPTCMDTD (MODT)	27.02.2013	56	Special Notice	20.08.2004
20	Memorandum Relating to Charge Over Fixed Deposits	27.02.2013	57	Sale Deed No.20657/2004-05	23.08.2004
21	Supplementary Agreement	27.02.2013	58	Sanctioned Building Plan	03-09-2004
22	Supplementary Letter of Hypothecation	27.02.2013	59	Sale Deed No.28736/2004-05	03.11.2004
23	Supplementary Letter of Continuing Guarantee	27.02.2013	60	Khata Cert.	13.10.2006
24	Declaration cum Indemnity	28.02.2013	61	Khata Extract	20.11.2006
25	Power of Attorney	27.02.2013	62	Tax Paid Receipt	14.02.2014
26	Letter of Continuing Security	27.02.2013	63	Sale Deed No.780/2014-15	25.04.2014
27	Renewal Sanction Letter	07.06.2013	64	Encumbrance Certificate	for the period from 01.04.1981 to 31.03.2014
28	Sanction Letter	28.11.2013			
29	Sanction Letter	15.01.2014			
30	MRPTCMDTD (MODT)	25.01.2014	65	Encumbrance Certificate	for the period from 01.06.1989 to 31.03.2014
31	Supplementary Agreement	22.01.2014			
32	Demand Promissory Note	22.01.2014			
33	Letter of Continuing Security	22.01.2014	66	Encumbrance Certificate	for the period from 01.04.2004 to 06.02.2014
34	Supplementary Letter of Continuing Guarantee	22.01.2014			
35	Supplementary Letter of Hypothecation	30.01.2014	67	Encumbrance Certificate	for the period from 01.04.1912 to 25.04.2014
36	Declaration cum Indemnity	28.05.2014			
37	MRPTCMDTD (MODT)	28.05.2014			

SCHEDULE B

DESCRIPTION OF THE HYPOTHECATED ASSETS BELONGING TO YOU NO.1

Stocks and book debts

DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY BELONGING TO YOU No.4

All that site No.346, PID No.57-191-346, admeasuring East to West, 9.15 meters, and north to south, 12.20 meters, measuring, all 111.63 Sq. Meters, situated at 16th Cross, 5th Phase, J.P. Nagar, Ward No.57, Bangalore owned by **Mr. Suresh Arun.**

SCHEDULE C

PARTICULARS OF CLAIMS

TOTAL OUTSTANDING AS ON 12-02-2026

Facility	Principal Balance as on 12-02-2026	Interest outstanding as on 12-02-2026	Compound Interest outstanding as on12-02-2026	Total Outstanding as on 12-02-2026
Cash Credit	2,71,96,000.00	5,00,26,426.00	86,01,029.00	8,58,23,774.00
TOTAL	2,71,96,000.00	5,00,26,426.00	86,01,029.00	8,58,23,774.00

* Along with further interest at rate of 18% p.a. at monthly/ quarterly rests plus applicable compound interest from 13-02-2026 till payment*

Place: Kolkata
Date: 24-03-2026

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.
(Trustee of ARCIL-TRUST-2025C-018 TRUST)

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IFT NO.HCMU/PUR/ EPROC/ 6132 /2025-26 DATE:11/03/2026

INVITATION FOR E-TENDER
TECHNICAL CUM COMMERCIAL TENDER

HAMUL invites Karnataka Public Procurement Portal tender for 1) Supply of following items (1) Supply of DVS Culture (STI-12/13/14/15) to Hyderabad Dairy (2) Supply of DVS Culture(STI-12/13/14/15 & RST-776/744) to HAMUL, Hassan 2) Quantity & EMD amount: as per bid notification available in e-portal. 3) Last date for submission of tender:**13.04.2026 up to 5.00 PM**. 4) Technical bid opening:**15.04.2026 at 11.00 AM.** 5) Address for communication: Deputy Manager (Pur) at the above address. 6) Tender document may be downloaded from website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/. www.hamul.coop** & Tender No: **KMF/2025-26/IND2076**

Sd/- MANAGING DIRECTOR

UJVN LIMITED

H.O.: "UJJWAL", Maharani Bagh, G.M.S. Road, Dehradun-248006
Telephones: 0135-2763808, Fax: 0135-2763508
CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website: www.ujvnl.uk.gov.in

Letter No: 236 **E- Tender Date Extension Notice No-03** Date: 23/03/2026

Due to unavoidable reasons the dates of e-tender no 01/DGM(CD-II)/ICB/Lakhwar/2025-26 for "Optimization of the present shear zone treatment methodology and its improvisation for the Lakhwar Multipurpose Project (MPP)" Uttarakhand are hereby extended as follows:-

Last Date for submission of bid document on website: 13.04.2026 up to15:00 Hrs.

Last Date for submission of documents in Hard copy: 17.04.2026 up to 15:00 Hrs.

For fuller & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal I **https://uktenders.gov.in.**

DGM(CD-II),CD&H
UJVNLimited, Dehradun

"AVOID WASTEFUL USE OF ELECTRICITY"

IN THE COURT OF HON'BLE X ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BENGALURU

O.S. No. 335/2025 (CCH-26)

BETWEEN: Sri. Francis Samraj, Son of Mr. C. P. Selvaraj, Aged about 52 years, Residing at No. 81, 2nd Floor, Samruddi Complex, Rajiv Gandhi Nagar, Nti Layout, Tatanagar, Bengaluru-560092. Represented by his Power of Attorneys, **1. Sri. B. Somashekar,** Son of Late Basvaiah, Aged about 71 years, Residing at No. 393, Swabhimana, 2nd Cross, 3rd Main, Opp. M.S. Ramaiah Hospital, 80ft. Road, Dollars Colony, RMV 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560 094. **2. Sri. H.P. Prashanth,** Son of Late H.D. Puttaswamy Gowda, Aged about 50 years, Residing at No. 21/A, Prashanth Paradise, Lake Shore Garden, Hanuman Layout, Thindlu, Bengaluru-560 097 ...PLAINTIFF

AND: Smt. Shanthamma and others ...DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT NO. 7, 15, 18, 20, 23, 24, 30, 31, 35, 38, 42, 72, 73, 77, AND 78 UNDER ORDER V RULE 20(1) OF CPC

To: 1. Sri. Anthonyswamy, Son of Late Rajappa, Aged about 83 years, Residing at Basavanapura, Thambuchettypalya Post, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore-560 036. **...DEFENDANT No. 7, 2. Mr. Sreenath Mantha,** Son of Mr. Umapathi M. Aged about 35 years, Residing at Room No. 45, H. No. 87, 3rd Cross, N. S. Palya, Bannergatta Road, Bangalore-560 076 **...DEFENDANT No. 15, 3. Mr. P. Praveen Kumar,** Son of Sri. P. N. Vajravelu Reddy, Aged about 47 years, Residing at No. #2088, 16th C Main, HAL 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560008. **...DEFENDANT No. 18, 4. Mr. Abhijeet Dutta,** Son of Sri. Jahar Lal Dutta, Aged about 44 years, Residing at H. No. 8, 3rd Main, 'B' Block, Vinayak Nagar, Bengaluru 560 017. **...DEFENDANT No. 20, 5. Sri. B Praveen,** S/o M. Byrappa, Aged about 46 Years, Residing at No.1454, Ground Floor, 17th 'B' Main, 2nd Phase, J. P. Nagar, Bangalore-560078. **...DEFENDANT No. 23, 6. Sri. Shivanna M. N,** S/o. Sri. Ninge Gowda, Aged about 53 Years, Residing a No.6, Sri Manjunatha Layout, Basavanapura Main Road,12th Cross, Devasandra, K. R. Puram, Bangalore-560036**....DEFENDANT No. 24, 7. Sri. R. Chandra M. Shetty,** S/o Late T. Ramaswamy Shetty, Aged about 68 Years, Residing at No.119/1, 5th Main, 1 Stage, Indiranagar, Bangalore-560038. **...DEFENDANT No. 30, 8. Sri. H Venkatesha,** S/o Late Hanumathrayappa, Aged about 56 Years, Residing at No.83, N. R. Reddy Layout, FCI Road, Vijanapura, Doorvaninagar, Bangalore-560016. **...DEFENDANT No. 31, 9. Mr. K. Ravindranath Guptha,** S/o. Mr. Venkata Subbaiah, Aged about 33 Years, Residing at: #22, Mallemadeshwara Nilaya, 6th Cross, Vinayaka Nagar, Devasandra, K. R. Puram, Bangalore-560036. **...DEFENDANT No. 35, 10. Sri. Garivi Ramesh Reddy,** S/o Naga Sidda Reddy, Aged about 33 years, Residing at Flat No. 101, Varasiddi Vinayaka Residency SV Layout, Bethel Nagar, KR Puram, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560049. **...DEFENDANT No. 38, 11. Ms. K S Drakshayani,** W/o. Sri. M. Siva Sankar Raju, Aged about 38 years, Residing at No: #7, 1st Cross, Garudacharpalya, Mahadevapura Post, Bangalore-560048. **...DEFENDANT No. 42, 12. Mrs. Shoba Rani,** W/o. Mr. Sampapth Kumar V, Aged about 46 years, Sri Lakshmivenkateshwara Nilaya, 3rd Cross, Amariyothi School Road, Vinayakanagar, Devasandra, Krishnarajapura, Bangalore-560036**....DEFENDANT No. 72, 13. Mr. Sampath Kumar V,** S/o. Late Venkatappa. B, Aged about 60 years, Sri Lakshmivenkateshwara Nilaya, 3rd Cross, Amariyothi School Road, Vinayakanagar, Devasandra, Krishnarajapura,Bangalore-560036. **...DEFENDANT No. 73, 14. Mr. Praveen Kumar Krishnachari,** S/o. Late Krishnachari, Aged about 42 years, residing at: No. 96, Annapoorneshwari Layout, Seegehalli, Virgonagar Post, Bangalore-560049**....DEFENDANT No. 77, 15. Mrs. Thangam Praveen Kumar,** W/o. Mr. Praveen Kumar Krishnachari, Aged about 43 years, residing at: No. 96, Annapoorneshwari Layout, Seegehalli, Virgonagar Post, Bangalore-560049. **...DEFENDANT No. 78**

Whereas the above named Plaintiff instituted a suit against defendants for the relief of Declaration, Mandatory Injunction and permanent injunction in respect of schedule properties, among other reliefs, the said defendant no. 7, 15, 18, 20, 23, 24, 30, 31, 35, 38, 42, 72, 73, 77, and 78 are the subsequent purchaser of suit schedule property. The defendant No. 7, 15, 18, 20, 23, 24, 30, 31, 35, 38, 42, 72, 73, 77, and 78 in the above suit are hereby summoned to appear in this Court (CCH-26) in person or by a pleader on the **08.04.2026 at 11 O'clock,** to answer the same, failing which the suit/application will be heard and determined as ex-parte.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY: All the piece and parcel of agricultural dry land bearing Sy. No. 15/2, situated at Basavanapura Village, K.R. Puram, Hobli, Bangalore, South Taluk, measuring 1 Acre 30 guntas, bounded on; East by: by way (road) West by: by land belonging to Shanbhogue, North by: Gomala land, South by: Vendor's Property

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: All the piece and parcel of agricultural dry land bearing Sy. No. 15/2, situated at Basavanapura Village, K.R. Puram, Hobli, Bangalore, South Taluk, measuring 1 Acre 19.5 guntas, bounded on; East by : Way (road), West by: Land belonging to Shanbhargaru, North by: Gomala Land, South by: Vendor's Property

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this 23rd day of March 2026.

GOGI AND GOGI, Advocates,
No. 502, 4th Cross, 3rd Block,RMV 2nd Stage,
Near ISRO (HO) Bengaluru-560094.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bengaluru

यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया Union Bank of India

BANASHANKARI 3RD STAGE(15821)
No 569, Shanthi Arcade, 2nd Main, Hosakerehalli Main Road, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560085,
Ph No:9321415821, Email:ubin0815829@unionbankofindia.bank.in

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provison to rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised officer of **Union Bank of India,** the secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is basis"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder.

Name and address of the Secured Creditor : Union Bank of India, Banashankari 3rd Stage Branch (15821), No. 569, Shanthi Arcade, 2nd Main, Hosakerehalli Main Road, Bsk 3rd Stage, Bangalore, Karnataka, 560085.

Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: Mrs. Vaishnavi Vinay No. 24/37, Mookambika Temple Road, Near Eshwari English School, Hosakerehalli, Banashankari 3rd Stage,Bangalore-560085.

Amount due: Rs.70,34,145.65 (Rupees Seventy lakhs Thirty Four Thousand One Hundread and Fourty Five and Sixty Five Paisa Only) as 11.03.2025 plus interest/ cost and expenses thereon.

Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold:

Schedule A Property: All that Piece and parcel of the converted land bearing Survey No. 42/1, with Khata No. 285/189/1, measuring 1 acre and 10 guntas (out of the total extent of 1 acre and 18 guntas) situated at Chikkasanne Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and converted for residential purposed vide Official Memorandum AALN (S) SR.82/2003-04 Dated 12 April 2004 and bounded as follows:East by :Land belonging to Sri. Narayanappa and Smt. Munirathnamma;West by:Land belonging to Gundu Topu, North by:Sanni Ammanikere Channel;South by:Doddasanne Road.

Schedule B:0.888% undivided share equivalent to 483 sq.ft, right and interest in the Schedule A property.

Schedule C: Apartment No. A 505 on FIFTH Floor of the building of **"SKYGOLD JEEVAN KEERTHI COMMANDERS AEROVIEW"**, "E" Khatha No. 150300201901020410, Apartment measuring 1040 sqft. Super built-up area for consideration inclusive of One covered car park bounded as follows: East by:Flat no. A 504, West by:Setback area & Drive way, North by : Flat No. A 508 & Passage, South by: Flat No. A 506.

Reserve Price : Rs 45,48,000/- Lakhs
(Rupees Forty Five Lakhs Forty Eight Thousand Only)
Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.4,54,800/-
(Rupees Four Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Only)
Date and time of E-Auction:
10.04.2026 Friday Between 12.00 PM to 05:00PM
(with 10 min unlimited auto extensions)
Last date for submission of EMD :
EMD shall be deposited and Linked/Map the EMD amount with the Property ID before End Time of Auction.
It is advisable to deposit and Link / Map the EMD amount with the property ID well in advance to avoid any technical glitch.
E-auction website: https://baanknet.com

Bidders are advised to go through the website: **https://baanknet.com and https://www.unionbankofindia.bank.in/auction-property/view-auction-property.aspx** for detailed terms and conditions of Auction Sale before submitting their bids and taking part in the E-Auction sale proceedings. To the best information and knowledge of the Authorized Officer, there is no encumbrance on the property. The interested bidder may contact the Branch Manager Cont No.: **9321415821** and Mail ID: **ubin0815829@unionbankofindia.bank.in** ascertaining the details of auction and inspection of property.

Date: 17.03.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

CHIKKABALLAPURA DISTRICT CO-OPERATIVE MILK PRODUCER'S SOCIETIES UNION LIMITED., CHIKKABALLAPURA

[N.H - 44, Yaluvahalli , Nandi Cross, Doddamarali Post, Chikkaballapura – 562103. Karnataka]
E-Mail- chimulpurchase@gmail.com

IFT No. CHIMUL/ PUR/ E-PROCUREMENT/4515 /2024-26 Date: 23.03.2026

E-PROCUREMENT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Chikkaballapura Milk Union Limited, Chikkaballapura invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for the following.

Sl.No	Description
01.	Insurance Coverage for Plant and Machinery at Mega Dairy, Chikkaballapura
02.	Fire & Burglary Insurance coverage for Milk Products & Packing Materials stock at Mega Dairy & Sadali Chilling Centre

Access to E-tender Documents : 24.03.2026 to 08.04.2026 5.30 PM
Last date for submission : on or before 08.04.2026, 5.30 PM
Date of opening of Tech. Tender : 10.04.2026, 11.00 AM onwards
Tender documents may be downloaded from e-procurement website https://kppp.Karnataka.gov.in/

-Sd/-
Managing Director.
Chikkaballapura Milk Union Ltd.,
Chikkaballapura.

FORM NO. 14
[See Regulation]
By Regd. A/D, Dasti failing which by Publication.

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER - 1/11
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL DELHI(DRT 3)

4th Floor, Jeevan Tara Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi 110001.

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993 AND RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961.

RC/6/2026 **09-03-2026**

ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY (INDIA) LIMITED
Versus
BPL LIMITED

To

(CD 1) BPL LIMITED
System House, BPL Works, Palakkad, Kerela - 678007.
Also At: Dynamic House No. 64, Church Street, Bengaluru - 560001.

This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursuance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL DELHI (DRT 3) in **OA/24/2024** an amount of **Rs 3010827991 (Rupees Three Hundred One Crore Eight Lakh Twenty Seven Thousands Nine Hundred Ninety One Only)** along with pendentellite and future interest @ 10 % Simple Interest Yearly w.e.f. **23/04/2024** till realization and costs of **Rs 150005 (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Thousands Five Only)** has become due against you (Jointly and severally/ Fully/Limited).

2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovew of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and Rules there under.

3. You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of yours assets on or before the next date of hearing.

4. You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned on **09/04/2026** at 10:30 a.m. for further proceedings.

5. In addition to the sum aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay:

(a) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the certificate / execution proceedings.

(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due,

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date: **09/03/2026.**

SEAL

Sd/-
Recovery Officer
Debts Recovery Tribunal Delhi (DRT 3)

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ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ವೃತ್ತ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

ಸಂ:ಕಾ.ಇಂ.(ವಿ)/ಲೋ.ಇ./ವಿದ್ಯುತ್/2025-26/3032 ದಿನಾಂಕ:23.03.2026

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ವಿದ್ಯುತ್), ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ವತಿಯಿಂದ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು KW-3 STD ಷರತ್ತಿಗೊಳಪಟ್ಟಂತೆ ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ. ಮೂಲಕ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಎರಡನೇ ಕರೆಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವಿವರ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿವೆ.

Sl. No.	WORK INDENTS	Work Value (Rs.in Lakhs)
1	PWD/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT29344 Call-2 (Others)	59.31
2	PWD/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT29169 Call-2 (Others)	63.28

ಮೇಲಿನ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸುವವರು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್: **https:// kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯೂಮೆಂಟ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು **ದಿನಾಂಕ:23.03.2026 ರಿಂದ 30.03.2026, 16.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ** ಹಾಗೂ ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಹಿಂತಿರುಗಿಸುವ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 30.03.2026 ರಂದೆ 16.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ** ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು Karnataka Public Procurement Portal ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿರುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲಸದ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು(ವಿ)
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಉನಿ-ಸಿ.ಪಿ/6392/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಸಿಎ/2025-26

Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd.

(FORMERLY KNOWN AS EQUITAS FINANCE LTD.)
Registered Office: No.769, Spencer Plaza, 4th Floor, Phase-II, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600 002

POSSESSION NOTICE (U/s. Rule 8 (1) - for immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with [Rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice calling upon the below mentioned Borrowers to repay the total outstanding amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. Since the below mentioned Borrowers having failed to repay the below stated amount within the stipulated time, notice is hereby given to the below mentioned borrowers and the public in general that, the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002. The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the schedule mentioned properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited and further interest and other charges thereon." The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub –section (8) of section 13 of the Act, inrespect of time available, to redeem the secured assets."

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Symbolic Possession Date
1	**Branch: Channapatna 700008048571/ 200002165282 Borrower: Mr/Mrs Prasanna Kumara G Co-Borrower: Mr/Mrs Anusuyamma; Mr/Mrs Sushma Svaraj**	All The Piece And Parcel Of The Immovable Schedule Rdpr Pid No. 152900302801720043, Property Katha No. 154 Situated S Byadarahalli Village, Seegekuppe Gramapanchayath, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagara. Measuring East To West 10.6680 Mtr (35 Feet), North To South 19.5072 Mtr (64 Feet), Total Extent 208.10 Sqmtr (2240 Sqft) Built Up Area 208.10 And Do Exist. (North By) Road (South By)Property Sy.No. 81 (East By)Property Of Chamamma W/O Thimmaiah (West By)Property Of Kempaiah	**02.01.2026 1921581/-**	**18.03.2026**

Date: 24.03.2026, Place: Bangalore **Authorized Officer, Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd.**

ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಮೈಸೂರು

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ನೀಸ&ಒಚ (ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ) ವಿಭಾಗ, ವಾವಿನೀಸ ಆವರಣ, ಯಾದವಗಿರಿ, ಮೈಸೂರು-570020

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಮೈನಪಾ/ಕಾಇಂ/ನೀಸ&ಒಚ(ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ)/ಸ.ಅ/ಟಿಎನ್-26/1242/2025-26 ದಿನಾಂಕ:18.03.2026

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ/ಪೂರ್ಣಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ

ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ವಿವಿಧ ಅನುದಾನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ KTPP ನಿಯಮಗಳಿಗೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟಂತೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳಿಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಕ್ರ ಸಂ	ವಿವರ	ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳು	ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ. ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಸಂಜೆ 5.30 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಚಾಲ್ತಿಗೆ ಬರುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ	ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆ ಒಳಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ	ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ್/ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ
1	Kw-1 & Kw-4	05 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಗಳು	522.73	24.03.2026	08.04.2026	09.04.2026
2	Kw-2 & Kw-3	04 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಗಳು	254.42	24.03.2026	01.04.2026	02.04.2026

ವಿಶೇಷ ಸೂಚನೆ: ಮುಂದೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಸೂಚನೆ/ಬದಲಾವಣೆ/ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿಗಳಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ನಲ್ಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು
ನೀಸ&ಒಚ (ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ) ವಿಭಾಗ
ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಮೈಸೂರು.

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಮೈಸೂರು/1851/ಶಿರಡಿಸಾಯಿ/2025-26

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POSSESSION NOTICE Appendix IV (Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

A/c No: HTL-40878952577, Term Loan-40883975916, Xpress Credit-42206509502

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized officer of the **State Bank of India** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (54 OF 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **29.12.2025** and calling upon the **Borrower/s : Sri.S Ravi Prashant** S/o Sri.Sukuru Ranga Rao and **Smt.Preeti Mohan Ginelu** W/o Sri.S Ravi Prashant, **Both are residing at :** Flat No.C-450, "C" Block, 4th Floor, Sowparnika Ashiyana Phase 1, Samethanahalli Village, Anugondanahalli Village, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore-560117. **And also at: i)** Flat No. D-204, Real House Apartment, Anjanapura Township, Behind Bus Stop, J P Nagar, 9th Phase, Anjanapura, Bangalore -560108. **ii)** Smt.Preeti Mohan Ginelu Oracle India Private Limited India Development Centre Oracle Technology Park 3, Bannerghatta, Bangalore-560029. **iii)** Sri.S Ravi Prashant VYMO Technologies (India) Pvt. Ltd., 611, 2nd Cross Road, 3rd Block, Koramangala, Bangalore-560034 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice **Rs. 53,25,432/-** (Rupees Fifty Three Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Two only) as on 28.12.2025 + interest from 29.12.2025 + incidental charges within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower(s)/mortgager(s)/guarantor(s) having failed to repay the amount demanded as per Demand Notice, notice is hereby given to the borrower(s)/ mortgager(s)/ guarantor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **20.03.2026**

The borrower(s)/mortgager(s)/guarantor(s) in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **State Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs. 54,55,122/-** (Rupees Fifty four lakhs fifty five thousand one hundred and twenty two only) as on 15.03.2026 and interest from 16.03.2026 plus expenses thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule "A" Property : Item No. I : All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land bearing Sy.No.57/2, measuring 2 Acre 30 Guntas (Official Memorandum No.ALN (H) SR/35/2014-15 dated 24.02.2016, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore) situated at Samethanahalli Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and **bounded on that : East by :** Land in Sy.No. 57/1, **West by :** Government Land, **North by :** Land in Sy.No. 36, **South by :** Land in Sy.No. 57/1.

Item No. II : All that piece and parcel of undeveloped residentially converted land bearing Sy.No.57/1, measuring 1 Acre, 10 Guntas and Sy.No.277 measuring 15 Guntas, totally measuring 1 Acre, 25 Guntas (Official Memorandum No.ALN (H) SR/34/2014-15 dated 31.03.2016, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore) situated at Samethanahalli Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hosakota Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and commonly **bounded on that : East by :** Land in Sy.No. 36, 48 and 56, **West by :** Land in Sy.No. 57/2, 36, **North by :** Land in Sy.No. 36, **South by :** Land in Sy.No. 57/1.

SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY (COMPOSIT LAND) : All that piece and parcel of residential converted land bearing Sy.No.57/1, 57/2 and 277 totally measuring 14741.00 Square Meters, Katha No.1526/57/2/596/277/1597/57/1, PID No. 150300402500521765 (Converted vide Official Memorandum No.ALN (H) SR/34/2014-15 dated 31.03.2016, No.ALN (H) SR/35/2014-15 dated 24.02.2016, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore), situated at Samethanahalli Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and commonly **bounded on the : East by :** Land in Sy.No. 36, 48 and 56, **West by :** Government Land, **North by :** Land in Sy.No. 36, **South by :** Land in Sy.No. 57/1.

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY : 21.26 Sq.mtrs (229 Sq.Ft.,) undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in the land in Schedule "A" Property.

SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY : Apartment No.C-450, (PID No.150300402500524179) "C" Block having Super Built Up area 64.85 Square Meters or 698 Square Feet, carpet area of 38.1 Sq.mtrs (410 square feet) and Balcony area of 4.05 Square Meter (44 Square Feet), on the Fourth Floor along with one Car Parking space with in the Apartment building name as "SOWPARNIKA ASHIYANA PHASE 1" and **bounded on East by :** Corridor, **West by :** Open Space, **North by :** Flat No. C 451, **South by :** Open Space.

The apartment constructed with RCC Roofing, Vitrified Tiles Flooring, Tata Steel Doors and UPVC windows and the flat is held in the name of **"Sri.S Ravi Prashant S/o Sri.Sukuru Ranga Rao and Smt.Preeti Mohan Ginelu W/o Sri.S Ravi Prashant"**

Absolute Sale Deed is registered on 09.08.2025 in favour of **"Sri.S Ravi Prashant S/o Sri.Sukuru Ranga Rao and Smt.Preeti Mohan Ginelu W/o Sri.S Ravi Prashant"** in the office of SRO Bangalore Rural (Hosakote) in Book No.1 under Document No. HSK-1-06970/2025-26 dated 09.08.2025.

Date : 20.03.2026
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer and Chief Manager
State Bank of India, Home Loan Centre
Malleshwaram, Bangalore.

STATE BANK OF INDIA

STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH - SARB- 05173
No.11/90, 3rd Floor, OPP: Trustwell HospitalJ.C. Road, Bengaluru-560 002.
Ph No: 080 25943663, Fax: 080 25943664 Email: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in

NOTICE FOR SALE OF VEHICLES BY E-AUCTION on 16.04.2026

Notice to public is hereby given to the effect that the vehicle described herein will be sold by **State Bank of India, STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH - SARB** by holding E-Auction on the date and time mentioned in this notice is "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"

Sl. No	Name of the Borrower	Vehicle Model	Reg. No.	Reserve Price	EMD (in INR)
1	**M/s. Krisha Logistics**	TATA MOTERS LTD	KA 53 AA 8548	Rs. 9,64,000/-	Rs. 96,400/-
2	**(Proprietor Mr. G Prabhakar)** Loan A/c. NO.: 41507081059	1212 LPT DCR 42 CBC	KA 53 AA 8540	Rs. 9,64,000/-	Rs. 96,400/-

Date & Time of E-Auction: 16.04.2026, 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM (with unlimited Extensions of 5 minutes each). **EMD:** 10% of each vehicle's Reserve Price as mentioned above. (EMD is Refundable for unsuccessful bidder) For inspection of above vehicles contact : **Mr. Shashank** - NPA Recovery Squad **Mob:96630 44559 / Mr. Rajendra S Tenginakai, Mob: 9448990270.**

Terms and conditions : 1. E-Auction is being held on "As is where is Basis" and the Bank is not responsible for condition or any other fact affecting the vehicles **2.** The E Auction will take place through portal **https://baanknet.com/eauction-psb** on **16.04.2026. 3**. The intending purchaser/bidder should transfer his/her EMD amount through challan generated on his/her account maintained with **https://baanknet.com/eauction-psb/x-login** by NEFT/RTGS transfer from his/her account on or before **16.04.2026, upto 1:00 PM, 4.** For detailed procedure and terms and conditions of E-Auttion, interested bidder may visit **https://baanknet.com/eauction-psb** & download business rule documents. **5.** All the above vehicles are parked at respective agencies yard as mentioned above. **6.** Willing bidders can inspect the vehicle(s) at the respective yard mentioned above & give best quote (over and above the minimum price) **7. The bidders have to increase the bidding amount by minimum Rs.5000/- above Reserve price. 8.** Balance 75% of bid amount by the successful bidder should be remitted before the 15th day of confirmation of sale of the secured asset, failing which EMD amount stars forfeited. The balance 75% of the sale price should be paid through NEFT/RTGS/Demand Draft/Bankers Cheque or in any mode of remittance in favour of **'SBI SARB BENGALURU', to the credit of A/c No. 40252992555 with State Bank of India, JC Road, Bengaluru- 560 002, Branch Code: 20202, IFSC Code: SBIN0020202. 9.** Successful bidders cannot back-out for any reason. **10.** Bank reserves the right to cancel or postpone the auction without prior notice. **11.** For further details you may contact Authorised Officer, **Contact No.080-2594 3663, M:-9448990270.**

Place Bengaluru,
Date:23.03.2026

Sd/-
Authorized Officer

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
MR. KUMCHAPU SAMBA SIVUDU Loan A/c No. 4002040002449 Symbolic Possession Date : 20/03/2026	22/07/2025	Rs. 7367433.00	**COMPOSITE SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of Property converted land bearing Old Sy.No.79, New Sy.No.79/2, measuring about 1 Acre, Sy.No.80/4, measuring about 23 Guntas, (converted for residential purpose vide conversion Certificate No.ALN€ (B) SR:112/2009-10 dated 06/04/2010, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore), situated at Hirandahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk, both the lands together totally measures about 1 Acre 23 Guntas, with a ll rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the:East by: Land in Sy. No.79, West by: Land in Sy. No.79/1 and Sy. No.80/3, North by: Road, South by: Land in Sy. No.79/1. SCHEDULE "B" : 430 Sq. Ft undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule 'A' above. SCHEDULE "C" : Flat bearing No.018, Block-B in the Ground Floor, Property SL. No. 150200400100820189, measuring about 1289 Sq. Feet super built up area, containing Three bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified Flooring together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried residential building complex known as "PINNACLE", constructed over Schedule "A' Property**
Mr. N SREERAMA Loan A/c No. 410400011701 Symbolic Possession Date : 20/03/2026	13/06/2025	Rs. 27,09,537.82	**SCHEDULE : All that piece and parcel of the Immovable property bearing vacant Site No.51, carved out of Sy.No.3, Village Panchayath Katha No.478/51, E-Khata No.150200301500720714, situated at Gulikamale Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District (the land is converted from agricultural to non-agriculture Residential purpose vide Official Memorandum bearing No.ALN(SU)SR/163/2011-12, dated 16-01-2012, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Urban District Bangalore) measuring East to West : 15.24 Meters (or 50 feet); North to South : 15.24 Meters (or 50 feet); totally measuring 232.25 Sq.Meters (or 2500 Sq.feet) and bounded on: East by: Kunte; West by: Road; North by: Road; South by: Private Property.**

Place: Bangalore
Date: 24.03.2026

Sd/- Authorized Officer
LIC Housing Finance Limited

Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd (FORMERLY KNOWN AS EQUITAS FINANCE LTD)

Registered Office : No.769, Spencer Plaza, 4th Floor, Phase-II, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600002.

POSSESSION NOTICE (U/s. Rule 8 (1) - for immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with [Rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice calling upon the below mentioned Borrowers to repay the total outstanding amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. Since the below mentioned Borrowers having failed to repay the below stated amount within the stipulated time, notice is hereby given to the below mentioned borrowers and the public in general that, the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002. The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the schedule mentioned properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited and further interest and other charges thereon." The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub –section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets."

SR NO	Name of the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Possession taken date
1	**BRANCH - Hsr Layout Loan No. - SEHRLYT0236750 BORROWER - Mr/Mrs Shantharaju Co-Borrower - Mr/Mrs Kavitha**	All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing site no.575, Assessment no.44/1, situated at Andrahalli village, Yeshwathpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Now BBMP, Ward no.40.,North By : Site no.560, South By : Road, East By : site no.574, West By : site no. 576.	**12.01.2024 & 1289157**	**18.03.2026**
2	**BRANCH - R.T.Nagar Loan No. - SERTNAG0207807 BORROWER - Mr/Mrs Palani A Co-Borrower - Mr/Mrs Hemavathi**	All that piece and parcel of the immovable Western portion of property bearing Site no.9, Assessment No.128, situated at Ashok Nagar, Kadugondanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Banglaore North Taluk, Old ward No.95, New ward No.31.,North By : Site no.8,South By : Proposed Road,East By : Remaining portion of same property of A.Velu,West By : Site no.21.	**22.11.2022 & 856232**	**18.03.2026**
3	**BRANCH - Mallathali Loan No. - SEMLATL0146177 BORROWER - Mr/Mrs Vasu R Co-Borrower - Mr/Mrs Roopa R**	All the piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Assessment No.17/2, Khata No.6738, Site No.8A, situated at Lakshmipura Grama, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru. Measuring from East-West 55 ft and north-south 30 ft Total extent is 1650 sqft.,North By : Site No. 7A,South By : Site No. 9A,East By : Road,West By : Property of Nagaraju.	**08.01.2025 & 366800**	**18.03.2026**
4	**BRANCH - Peenya Loan No. - ELPMSNRD0004215 BORROWER - Mr/Mrs Raghavendra Co-Borrower - Mr/Mrs Bharathi**	All that piece, and parcel of the Immovable Property bearing Gramathana Site No.40, Katha No.533/40, situated at Kammagondanahalli Village, Yashawanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Measuring East to West: 40 feet, and North to South: 30 feet, total measuring 1200 Sq.ft., and bounded on: New BBMP,North By : Site No.41,South By : Site No.39,East By : Site No.35,West By : 20 feet Road.	**22.07.2024 & 1491249**	**18.03.2026**
5	**BRANCH - K.R.Puram Loan No. - VLPHMSNR0002641 BORROWER - Mr/Mrs Ms. Indra Co-Borrower - Mr/Mrs Gunasagar**	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing, Katha No.223/2A1, Amani Bellandur Village Panchayat Katha No.223/2A1, now comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, measuring East to West: 30 feet and North to South: 40 feet, total measuring 1200 Sq.ft., and bounded on:,North By : 40 feet road,South By : Property belongs to Annamma, East By : Property belongs to Shakunthalamma, West By : Property belongs to Muninanjappa.	**08.01.2025 & 221741**	**18.03.2026**

Date - 24.03.2026, Place - Bangalore **Authorized officer , Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd**

GREATER VISAKHAPATNAM MUNICIPAL CORPORATION VISAKHAPATNAM

"e" Procurement Tender Notice No.60/2025-26/SE(WS&S-M)/EE-I(WS&S-M)/DB/Dt: 16-03-2026

01.	No.of Works	: 1 No
02.	Value of works	: 164.58 Lakhs
03.	Downloading Starting Date	: 19-03-2026
04.	Downloading Ending Date	: 04-04-2026 3.00 PM
05.	Last date of bid Submission	: 04-04-2026 4.00 PM
06.	Date of PQ Opening	: 04-04-2026 5.00 PM
07.	Date of Commercial Opening	: 08-04-2026 5.00 PM

Note : For any other deatails required in respect of above tender notice, please contact EE-I(WS) before applying for tender schedules and visit vsp @ www.apeprocurement.gov.in

Sd/- Commissioner, GVMC

UJVN LIMITED

H.O.: "UJJWAL", Maharani Bagh, G.M.S. Road, Dehradun-248006
Telephones: 0135-2763808, Fax: 0135-2763508
CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866 Website: www.ujvnl.com

Letter No: 233 Date Extension Notice-03 Date: 23/03/2026

Due to unavoidable circumstances, due dates in respect of online Bid Identification Nos.: (i)T-04/EE(Solar)/2025-26 (ii)T-05/EE (Solar)/2025-26

(iii) T-06/EE(Solar)/2025-26 & (iv)T-07/EE(Solar)/2025-26 are as follows:

Last Date /Time of Receipt of bid on the portal : 28-03-2026 upto 16:00 Hrs.

Last Date /Time of submission of bid in Office :30-03-2026 upto 12:00 Hrs.

Date of opening of the bid on website : 30-03-2026 from 13:00 Hrs.

All other details and terms & condition shall remain same. Detail of subsequent addendum/corrigendum/cancelation etc. may be obtained from the website.

Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal http://uktenders.gov.in.

Executive Engineer (Solar)

"AVOID WASTEFUL USE OF ELECTRICITY"

CAUVERY NEERAVARI NIGAMA LIMITED

(GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA ENTERPRISE)
Office of the Executive Engineer, CNNL, Hemavathy Canal Investigation, Division, Hebbur, ph-0816-2957008 **Tumkur District-572120**

Karnataka Public Procurement Corrigendum Tender Notification No.01/2025-26 Dated: 18.03.2026

Ref: Karnataka Public Procurement Short term Tender Notification No. 08/2025-26 Dated:06.03.2026.

The Tender schedule for the Tender notification under reference issued by the Executive Engineer, Hemavati Canal Investigation Division, CNNL, Hebburu on behalf of the Managing Director, Cauvery Irrigation Corporation Limited, Bengaluru has been amended and the deadline for submission of tenders has been extended up to 4.30 PM on 15.04.2026. There will be no changes in the other tender conditions. Further details can be obtained from this office and through the internet at the website address www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
CNNL, H.C.I. Division, Hebbur.

DIPR/TUM/511/KSMCA/2025-26

RELIGARE FINVEST LTD

CIN:U74999DL1995PLC064132
Regd. Office : "First Floor, Office no. 101, 2E/23, Jhandewalan Extn. New Delhi-110055
Corporate office : 7th Floor, Max House, Block A, Dr.Jha Marg, Okhla Phase III, Okhla Industrial Estate, New Delhi - 110 020
BRANCH OFFICE: No.421/G, 1st floor, 1st Main Road, 1st stage, Indiranagar, Krishna Temple Road, Opposite to SBI Branch, Bengaluru-Karnataka- 560038.

APPENDIX-IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8(6) & proviso to Rule 9(1)]

AUCTION NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisos to Rule 9(1) R/w 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgager(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor i.e. M/s Religare Finvest Ltd. (in short 'RFL'), the **physical possession** of which has been taken by the authorized officer of RFL, will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS", "WHATEVER THERE IS" and "NO RECOURSE"** basis through E-Auction. The E - Auction shall be conducted only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through website **https://www.bankeauctions.com/** on **16.04.2026** (Auction Timing: As per Schedule mentioned below) with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes duration each for recovery of ₹ **1,43,73,060/-** (Rupees One Crore Forty Three Lakhs Seventy Three Thousand and Sixty Only) **as on 23.03.2026** along with up to date, interest, costs and charges due to the RFL from the Borrower(s) /Guarantor(s) / Mortgagor(s) **1.Mr.Nagesh B, 2.Mrs.Shamala Bai, 3.Mrs.Annapurna G, 4.Mr.Sundar Rao and 5.Mrs.Jayalakshmi B**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Property No.1: All the piece and parcel of the **Industrial Land** being **Flat bearing No.002 in the Ground Floor, having super built-up area of 1460 Sq Ft, Constructed on the Property bearing No.59, Old No.28/1, PID No.66-187-59, Situated at 8th Cross Road, Venkatapura Village, Gramatana, Jakkasandra Dakale, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,** Ward No.173(66) of BBMP Bangalore, Karnataka-560034, Presently Comes under the jurisdiction of Bounded By; East by: Property of Smt.Saraswathi Bai, West by: Road, North by: Property of Smt.Saraswathi Bai, South by: House of Gopalappa, Krishnappa, Anjinappa and Others.

The Reserve Price will be ₹ **40,69,422/-**
and the **Earnest Money Deposit** will be ₹ **4,06,942/-**

Property No.2: All the piece and parcel of the **Industrial Land** being **Flat bearing No.403 in the Fourth Floor having super built-up area of 1070 Sq Ft** Constructed on the property bearing **No.59, Old No.28/1, PID No.66-187-59, Situated at 8th Cross Road, Venkatapura Village, Gramatana, Jakkasandra Dakale, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,** Ward No.173(66) of BBMP Bangalore, Karnataka-560034, Presently Comes under the jurisdiction of Bounded By; East by: Property of Smt.Saraswathi Bai, West by: Road, North by: Property of Smt.Saraswathi Bai, South by: House of Gopalappa, Krishnappa, Anjinappa and Others.

The Reserve Price will be ₹ **29,82,385/-**
and the **Earnest Money Deposit** will be ₹ **2,98,239/-**

Date & Time and Place of Auction: 16.04.2026
For Property No.1: 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
Property No.2: 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
Portal of E-Auction: https://www.bankeauctions.com/

Known Encumbrances

RFL is not aware of any encumbrances on the secured asset to be sold. Interested parties should make their own assessment of the secured asset to their satisfaction. Secured Creditor (RFL) does not in any way guarantee or makes any representation with regard to the fitness/title of the aforesaid secured asset.. Secured Creditor (RFL) does not in any way guarantee or makes any representation with regard to the fitness/title of the aforesaid secured asset.

Other Details of Sale:

1. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided on Secured Creditor's website i.e., **https://uat-religarefinvests.webflow.io/auction-notices**
2. For details about E-Auction, the intending bidders may contact **M/s. C1 India Pvt. Ltd through Mr.Dharani Krishna - Tel. No.: +91 72919 71124,25,26** and **Mobile +91-99481 82222; email id – andhra@c1india.com.**
3. The interested parties may contact the following **Authorized Officer Mr. Ansar B S on his Mobile No. 89290 24427 and Mr. A.Wilson Mobile No. 93110 56699** for further details/ clarifications and for submitting their application/Bid

Date : 24.03.2026 **Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **M/s.Religare Finvest Limited**

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಕೊಳಗೇರಿ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಮಂಡಳಿ

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ, 1ನೇ ವಿಭಾಗ
ನಂ.55, ನೆಲಮಹಡಿ, ಅಭಯ ಸಂಕೀರ್ಣ ಭವನ, ರಿಸಲ್ದಾರ್‌ರಸ್ತೆ,
ಶೇಷಾದ್ರಿಪುರಂ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560020

No.KSDB/EE/No 1.div/S.T/PB/IFT-18/2025-26/930 Date:17.03.2026

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ)

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1. Last date & time for receipt of Tenders: **Dt: 27.03.2026 upto 04.00 PM**
2. Date & Time for opening of Technical Bid Date:-**01.04.2026 at 11.00 AM.**

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DIPR/CP/6387/NR/2025-26

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(BELLARY THERMAL POWER STATION)
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through e-Portal only)

Bids are invited in two cover system for the procurement of following materials for BTPS. The tender details can be downloaded from KPP Portal. **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** **(1) KPCL/2025-26/IN2466.** Fasteners. Last Date for receipt of tenders: **25.03.2026, (2) KPCL/2025-26/IND2367,** MS ERW Pipes for Ash Handling Plant. **(3) KPCL/2025-26/IND2368,** Ash Handling spares. **(4) KPCL/2025-26/IND2369,** Ash Handling spares. **(5) KPCL/2025-26/IND2370,** Cages with venture for Ash handling system, Last Date for receipt of tenders: **26.03.2026, (6) KPCL/2025-26/IND2486,** Bowl Mills spares, Last Date for receipt of tenders: **30.03.2026, (7) KPCL/2025-26/IND2473,** Airport Ring Assay, Clamping ring & Ventura collar. Last Date for receipt of tenders: **31.03.2026, (8) KPCL/2025-26/IND2484,** Feeder belt. **(9) KPCL/2025-26/IND2203/Call-2,** Journal spring Assembly for XRP-1003 Bowl Mills. **(10) KPCL/2025-26/IND2206/Call-2,** Coal Pipe Bends, Last Date for receipt of tenders: **27.03.2026,** (11) **KPCL/2025-26/IND2485,** Bowl mills spares, Last Date for receipt of tenders: **16.04.2026.**

For any other information contact: **Executive Engineer (Purchase),** BTPS, KPCL, Kudathini, Bellary Dist; Karnataka, **Mobile: 09480830377, e-mail: eepurchasebtps@gmail.com**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)
No.CEE/Tr(Op)Z/KLB/SEE(O)/AEE-1/2025-26/16097 Date:18.03.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through Karnataka public procurement portal only)

KPTCL, invites bids from the eligible bidders for the following service tenders:

Bid Enquiry No: 1) CEE/PRO/KLB/SEE(O)/AEE-1/2025-26/ Services -11/ 43no's Security Guards-KLB, Dtd:18.03.2026. for **outsourcing the services of security guards 43no's provided at various stations/office buildings / MW stores of TR Project Circle, KPTCL, Kalaburagi at 1) 220KV R/S KPTCL, Kapnoor-03nos, 2) 220KV R/S Humnabad-03no's, 3) 220KV R/S Halbarga-03no's, 4)220kV R/s Santhapur-3 nos, 5) 220KV R/S Sedam-03 no's, 6) 220KV R/S Shahapur-03 nos, 7) TL&SS Division Office Building, Yadgir-3no's, 8) 220kV Ramsamudra-03no's, 9) Major Works Store, Kalaburagi-06no's, 10) 220kV Station Ganagapura(Nimbarga)-03 and 11) Zonal office building "Prasarana Bhavan in Kalaburagi district"- (1+9 no's, Head guard-1no. and Security guard 9no's) by an external agency. (Amt. put to tender Rs. 1,29,20,531.94)**

2) CEE/PRO/KLB/SEE(O)/AEE-1/2025-26/Services -12/54no's Security Guards-**MRB, Dtd: 18.03.2026** for **outsourcing the services of security guards 54 no's provided various stations/MW stores of TR project Circle, KPTCL, Munirabad at 1) 400KV Ballari Pooling Station, Kudithini-12no's, 2) 220KV R/S Allipura-03no's, 3) 220KV R/S Ittagi-03no's, 4) 220KV R/S Kustagi-3no's, 5) 220KV R/S Sindhnoor-3no's, 6) 220KV R/S Lingasugur-03no's, 7) 220KV R/S Raichur-3 no's, 8) 220KV R/S Mallat-03 no's, 9) Sulekal (Gangavathi)-3no's, 10) 220kV R/S Halavarthy-03 no's, 11) Major Works store Ballari-03 no's, 12)220kV R/S Neelgunda-3 no's, 13) 220kV Badaladaku-3no's, 14) Hot Line sub-division Munirabad-3 no's and 15) 220kV Somasamudra-03no's by an external agency. (Amt. put to tender Rs.1,66,79,871.08)**

The bids will be received through kpp portal only. The detailed notification regarding the subject enquiry in the E-Procurement process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink "E procurement KPTCL" or website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **Date: 26-03-2026**. Further details can be obtained from the Office of the undersigned.

Sd/-, Chief Engineer (Electy),
Transmission (Operations) Zone, KPTCL, Prasarana Bhavana, Sedam Road, Kalaburagi - 585106.

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK

(A Scheduled Commercial Bank)
Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

Whereas you the below mentioned Borrower's, Co-Borrower's, Guarantor's and Mortgagors have availed loans from **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited,** by mortgaging your immovable properties. Consequent to default committed by you all, your loan account has been classified as **Non-performing Asset,** whereas **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** being a secured creditor under the Act, and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) of the said Act read with rule 2 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued **Demand notice** calling upon the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors as mentioned in column No.2 to repay the amount mentioned in the notices with future interest thereon within **60 days** from the date of notice, but the notices could not be served on some of them for various reasons.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	1) Mr. Sundaresh, S/o. Muniyappa, 2) Mr. Muniyappa, S/o. Huchhaiah, 3) Mrs. Lakshmidevi	Loan Account No. 45350530000455 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Property Sl. N0.144, Property No.144, measuring 39X38 feet, situated at Kethohalli Village, Chunchanakuppe Grama Panchayath, Tavarekere Hobil, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore City District and **Bounded on: East by:** Road, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Property belongs to Chikkaveeraiah, **South by:** Property belongs to Honnaiah.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2026 Demand Notice Date: 17-03-2026	Rs.4,84,517.85 (Rupees Four Lakh Eighty Four Thousand Five Hundred Seventeen and Eighty Five Paisa Only) due as on 12-03-2026
2	1) Mr. Madesh Nayk, S/o. Muni Nayak, 2) Mrs. Muni Bai, W/o. Madesh Nayk	Loan Account No. 47040430000535 47049410000697 Loan Amount: Rs.4,78,000/- Rs.2,39,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the RDPR No. 152900203900220087 Khaneshumari No.7/238 measuring East to West 13.1064 meters, North to South 13.716 meters at situated at Bheemagondanahalli Village, Hosadurga Grama Panchyath, KodihalliHobli, Kanakapura Thluk, Ramanagara District and **Bounded on: East by:** Property of Manjubai, **West by:** Property of Madevibai, **North by:** Govt. Road, **South by:** Property of Chikkamarinaik.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2026 Demand Notice Date: 17-03-2025	Rs.6,69,327.53 (Rupees Six Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Seven and Fifty Three Paisa Only) due as on 12-03-2026

Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor & Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within **60 days** of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No. 6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** against the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

Date: 23.03.2026, Place: Bangalore & Bangalore Rural **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client Sri. G. Ashwin Kini has negotiated with Smt. S. Umadevi wife of Sri. Late H.S. Jaya Swamy, residing at No. 15/A-2, Near Maruthi Temple, Palace Road, Vasantha Nagar, Bangalore 560 001 for the purchase of residential Site bearing No.70, having BBMP PID No.100-737-70, E-PID No. 6827672280, 3rd Main Road, Situated at NGEF Layout, Sachidananda Nagar, Sanjaynagar, RMV II Stage, Ward No. 19, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 50 Ft and North to South: 80 Ft., in all measuring 4000 Sq.Ft. and bounded on the: EAST BY : Site No.69, WEST BY : Site No.71, NORTH BY : Site No.100, SOUTH BY : 50 Feet Road

Any person/s having/asserting any right, title or interest/claims or intending to oppose the purchase in any manner may file their written objections to undersigned within Seven days from the date of publication of the notice hereof with documentary proof where after no such claims will be entertained, and our client will proceed with the purchase of the said Property.

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Off: No.502, 4th Cross, 3rd Block, RMV 2nd Stage (Near ISRO H.O.), Bangalore-560094
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RAIL WHEEL FACTORY

Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064
WEBSITE: www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in

TENDER NOTICE NO: RWF/S/146/ 2025-26/15 Dated: 18.03.2026

On behalf of the President of India, the Principal Chief Materials Manager invites electronic tender for the following work through the website http://www.ireps.gov.in from experienced/ reputed contractors in the field.

(1) Scope of Work : See RWF Website. **Tender No :** RWFSTPT_CA_2ndslab_3700MT. **Due Date & Time:** 22.04.2026 at 14:15 Hrs. **Distance Slab:** Above 500kms & upto 1000kms. **Quantity:** 3700MT. **Estimated Tender Value:** Rs.1,35,42,000.00. **E M D Amount:** Rs.2,17,700.00. (2) Scope of Work : see RWF Website. **Tender No.:** RWFSTPT_CWD2nd slab_8500MT. **Due Date & Time**: 22.04.2026 at 14:15 Hrs.**Distance Slab:** Above 500kms & upto 1000kms. **Quantity:** 8500MT. **Estimated Tender Value:** Rs.3,07,70,000.00. **EMD Amount:** Rs.3,03,900.00. **(3) Scope of Work:** See RWF Website.**Tender No. /Tender Type (Manual Mode):** RWFSTPT/ CONTAINERS/ICD-WFD/2025-26. Open Tender- Manual mode. **Due Date & Time:** 24.04.2026 at 14:15 Hrs. **Distance Slab**: 74Kms. (37 x 2=74Kms) (Turn – Around distance per Trip). **Quantity:** 155Nos. **Estimated Tender Value:** Rs.36,49,475.00. **Tender Document Cost**: Rs.3,540.00. **EMD Amount:** Rs.73,000.00.

Contract Period : Minimum 12 (Twelve) months from the date of issue of Letter of Acceptance.

PRINCIPAL CHIEF MATERIALS MANAGER

PUBLIC NOTICE

By way of this notice, is hereby notifying the General Public Banks/NBFC/money lenders/public-private institutions/ any legal person/s all that, our client **Sri. Chandrashekara Reddy.J.P.** Aged about 56 years, R/at. No. Jinkapalli, Palyakere, Chikkabalapura-563124 **is** willing to purchase the following schedule property from **Smt.Narayanamma,** Aged about 66 Years, w/o patalappa. R/at No E-49,Near Suradenapura Government School, Suradhenapura, Bangalore North Bangalore-562110 through **Exchange deed** , in this regard all the legal formalities are at the conclusion stage. If any person/s third party/s has any type of objections/claims/ liabilities, attachments, agreements or any manner of right, title or interest over the Schedule Property may lodge their objections/claims, with all supporting documents/evidence to the under singed Advocate within 7 (Seven) days from the date of this publication. Failing which our clients shall proceed with the sale transaction to purchase the Schedule Property from said **Smt. Narayanamma,** and any right that may arise later will not be entertained, as treating that there are no objections/claims and it shall not be binding on our clients.

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All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing **Sy No 81/1** Measuring 31 Guntas Situated at Suradhenapura Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore district together with all rights, appurtenance, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, and bounded on the:-

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Mob: 9342964317.
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CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF IMAGING TECHNOLOGY (C-DIT)

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Ph: 0471-2380910/912

TENDER NOTICE

C-DIT invites sealed tenders for the **"Supply of following Materials for Conservation Purpose"** at C-DIT, Thiruvananthapuram. **Nepalese Tissue paper (5000 sheet) –T808 Japanese Tissue paper (18000 sheet)-T809**

Last date of submission of bids: 30.03.2026, 03.00 PM. Tender will be opened on the same day at 03.30 PM For details and submission of bid please visit **www.cdit.org**

23.03.2026 **Registrar.**

GENERAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the general public and all concerned that Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme, who was a partner of M/s. Housso (hereinafter referred to as **"Firm"**), having its registered place of business at No.4C-162, 2nd Floor, Above SBI Bank, East of NGEF Layout, 2nd Main, Kasturi Nagar, Bengaluru-560043, has been expelled from the Partnership Firm with immediate effect pursuant to a unanimous resolution passed at the meeting of the partners of the Firm held at the registered office on 2nd February, 2026 at 11:00 A.M.

The expulsion has been effected after due issuance of notice of meeting and a show cause notice, to which no response was received, and in view of the serious acts of misconduct recorded in the minutes, including unauthorized execution of agreements and Memoranda of Understanding, misrepresentation of the Firm, misappropriation of funds, breach of fiduciary duties, and fraudulent acts committed against the Firm and the continuing partners.

With effect from the date of expulsion, Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme has ceased to be a partner of M/s. Housso and shall have no right, title, interest, authority, or connection whatsoever with the business, management, affairs, assets, goodwill, or operations of the Firm. All authorities, mandates, powers, representations, and permissions, if any, previously granted to him to act for or on behalf of the Firm stand revoked with immediate effect.

Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme is not authorised to represent himself as a partner or agent of the Firm before any bank, financial institution, customer, vendor, contractor, governmental authority, statutory authority, or any third party/s.

The Firm shall not be liable or responsible for any acts, deeds, transactions, representations, commitments, borrowings, agreements, or liabilities incurred or undertaken by Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme in the name of or on behalf of the Firm. Any person dealing with him in such capacity shall do so at their own risk and consequences.

Mr. Sreenivas Reddy Yemme shall remain solely responsible and liable for all consequences, claims, losses, damages, liabilities, or litigation arising out of or connected with any unauthorized acts done by him in the name of the Firm.

This public notice is issued in compliance with Section 72 of the Indian Partnership Act, 1932, for the information of the public at large.

For **M/s. Housso**
Represented by its Partner and Authorised Signatory
Mantena Praveen, Partner
Corporate office-No.4C-162, 2nd Floor, Above SBI Bank, East of NGEF Layout, 2nd Main, Kasturi Nagar, Bengaluru – 560043
Date: 22-03-2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client, **Smt. S.G. Nagamani,** W/o K.T. Suresh, aged about 46 years, residing at No. 240, Gangadharaiah Building, Thigalarapalya Main Road, Maseedi Road

Swiatek splits with coach after early Miami exit

Iga Swiatek announced on Monday that she had parted ways with her coach Wim Fissette following her second-round exit at the Miami Open. Following quarterfinal defeats at the Australian Open, the Doha Open and Indian Wells, Swiatek continued her uncertain start to the 2026 season with a three-set loss to Magda Linette in her opening match.

CRICKETER-TURNED BANKER TO VOICE OF GAME

Suman won two IPL titles but never realised his potential. He then worked as deputy manager at SBI before joining Telugu commentary panel

CHANDRA PRABHU @Chennai

BENGALURU will always hold a special place in Tirumalasetti Suman's heart. It was at the Garden City where the former cricketer from Hyderabad had played one of the innings of his life in 2010 before going on to capture the Indian Premier League title six years later. Considered a prodigy during his junior days, Suman, like many other youngsters, gained recognition during this time at the IPL, where he was part of as many as four clubs. His trophy cabinet boasts two IPL titles and a Champions Trophy but he was not quite able to realise his potential on the personal front. However, his love for the sport remains undiminished as he is now a commentator for Star Sports Telugu.

Having started as an opening batter for Hyderabad, Suman's talent was undeniable. Known for his "aggression and flair", he made a rapid rise during his junior days. He started playing age-group cricket when he was 13 and went on to captain the U16 team too. Suman gradually rose through the ranks before he was enlisted into the Ranji Trophy probables in 2001 and, in the same year, he gained wide attention with good scores against England U-19s in Chennai.

But it was the advent of the IPL that gave Suman the recognition.

In 2008, the now-defunct Deccan Chargers finished rock bottom in the league table. Considering the team boasted superstars, they were dubbed to win the league but the turmoil on and off the pitch meant that a revamp was needed in 2009. In the second season of the IPL in 2009, Chargers hired former Australian cricketer Darren Lehmann as coach. Aussie wicketkeeper Adam Gilchrist was the new captain. Suman, meanwhile, was one of the few uncapped recruits along with Manvinder Bisla and Harmeet Singh.

"Before I went to South Africa. I had trained myself like anything to get used to the conditions there. So when I eventually went there. I made a good impression with Gilchrist and Lehmann. In the fitness test, I came first. I played really well in the practice matches but was not picked for the first few matches," Suman recalled to this daily. But that was to change. On the night before Deccan Chargers' fourth league match against Delhi Daredevils (now Capitals), Gilchrist had to wake Suman up. "He woke me up at 11 in the night and said, 'I know I am spoiling your sleep (but) you are playing tomorrow's match'," he said.

His moment had arrived finally, and it was a huge opportunity for him to announce himself to the world. A local reporter had mispronounced his name and this was his chance to come to the fore.

Suman did just that as he marked his debut with a 14-ball 23 in their six-wicket loss to Delhi in Centurion. Then, he scored an unbeaten 41 runs against Rajasthan Royals, which featured two blistering sixes off Shane Warne. That cemented his position in the playing XI. He was not spectacular, but provided vital runs when needed, something that helped the team clinch the title. Open the innings? Check. Come in the middle-overs during a tough phase? Check. In 12 appearances, including the final against Royal Challengers Bengaluru, Suman scored 237 runs.

Suman kept up his form in the following season, scoring 307 runs.The next year, he was approached by Mumbai Indians to open with Sachin Tendulkar. "Mumbai approached me in 2011. They wanted me to open with Sachin. But I felt that I didn't get enough opportunities. Even though I started off really good, I was dropped down the order. So I felt that the number of opportunities hampered my performance," he said. Those limited opportunities (10 matches in two seasons) had forced him to switch to Pune Warriors in 2013. But that proved to be disastrous too, which meant he could not find a suitor the following two years. But he once again found his rhythm during the 2014-15 Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy, where he finished as the leading scorer accumulating 361 runs.

That earned him a contract in Sunrisers Hyderabad in 2016, again as an opening batter. "So Shikhar Dhawan and David Warner were already there. So he didn't perform the first four matches. They (team management) told me if Shikhar doesn't perform one more match, 'you will be there'. So Shikhar got runs and throughout the season he played," he said. As SRH won the title in Bengaluru, Suman became the first player to win two IPL titles for different teams based out of the same city.

Time as broadcaster

After the IPL title in 2016, Suman, as per record, did not make any competitive appearances, and quietly retired in 2018. A job as a Deputy Bank Manager at the State Bank of India in Hyderabad, Suman felt something was missing in his life. "There was a time where I thought, what do I do next? Even though I used to work at SBI. I felt I had a lot of time in hand," he said. That was when a call from broadcaster Star Sports came. "They were calling me for two years, but I didn't go. But (this time) I thought, let's try Telugu commentary. Then I really fell in love with that," he said. Soon enough he left the job to become a full-time commentator.

Then on the suggestions from colleagues in Star Sports, he started a YouTube channel, which at present has 1,61,000 subscribers (at the time of writing). While he may have not realised his full potential with the bat, Suman, with his voice and his passion for the game is definitely capturing people's imaginations.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

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PICS: INSTAGRAM

EXPRESS READ

Jaipur Polo Team captures top prize

NEW DELHI: Jaipur Polo Team delivered yet another commanding performance to beat Jindal Panther 12–9 in a thrilling final of the Jindal Steel Indian Open Polo Championship, securing their 11th title of an extraordinary season. Powered by a sensational eight-goal performance from Alejo Aramburu and strong contributions across the lineup, Jaipur combined attacking precision with composure under pressure to seal a victory.

Asian Team Squash C'ship postponed

KARACHI: The Asian Team Squash Championship scheduled in Islamabad next month has been postponed due to the ongoing conflict in the Gulf region. The event was scheduled to be held from April 14 to 18. "The Asian Squash Federation has informed us that it is not feasible to hold the event because of the conflict and the resulting situation in the region," said an official. If situation improves, the event may be held in September.

CA yet to issue NOC to pacer Starc for IPL

NEW DELHI: Cricket Australia is yet to grant a No Objection Certificate (NOC) to Mitchell Starc for his IPL stint with Delhi Capitals, the franchise said on Monday, but remains hopeful the lead pacer will join the squad before their tournament opener on April 1. In a media interaction, Delhi Capitals Axar Patel, cricket director Venugopal Rao and head coach Hemang Badani fielded multiple questions on the availability of their pace spearhead.

Candidates: Ukraine's Anna replaces Humpy

NEW DELHI: Ukraine's Anna Muzychuk has replaced Koneru Humpy in the Candidates Tournament in Cyprus after the Indian Grandmaster withdrew citing safety concerns due to the host country's proximity to the ongoing West Asia conflict. The tournament, which will determine the challengers for the world championship crowns currently held by D Gukesh (Open) and Ju Wenjun (women), is scheduled to begin in Paphos on Saturday.

Veteran journalist S Thyagarajan no more

CHENNAI: Veteran Indian sports journalist S Thyagarajan, who carved a niche for himself with his extensive coverage of hockey, died here on Monday after battling age-related ailments. He was 85. He is survived by his wife and two daughters. His cremation took place in Chennai on Monday. Thyagarajan, who covered six Olympics and nine Asian Games, served 'The Hindu' newspaper from 1962 to 2013 before his retirement. He started his career with 'The Indian Express' in 1961.

MJ Daffue (C)

Daffue secures golf title on the final day

ENS/AGENCIES @Nuh (Haryana)

MJ DAFFUE produced a bogey-free final round to seal a second HotelPlanner Tour title in two months on a thrilling final day of the DP World PGTI Open, a US$300,000 event co-sanctioned by the DP World PGTI and the HotelPlanner Tour. The South African, who started Sunday with a four-stroke lead, signed for a 69 to reach 21 under par 267 and finish one clear of American Jhared Hack and India's Saptak Talwar.

The victory sees Daffue catapult to the top of the season-long Road to Mallorca Rankings. "I'm really pleased," he said. "The first one gets something off your back, but this time, I believed I could do it.

"I knew I was comfortable, and I have brought some momentum from the last few weeks. "I've been patient. I've been working with a sports psychologist, and my moto has been 'dogged, determination and patience' and that helped me out there today." Daffue had six holes of his third round remaining when he returned on Sunday morning.

Dubey keen to do well for Sunrisers

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @Chennai

VIDARBHA'S spin-bowling all-rounder Harsh Dubey, who recently won the prestigious BCCI-Lala Amarnath Award for the Best All-Rounder in the Ranji Trophy 2024-25 season, is keen to do well in the IPL 2026 for Hyderabad. "I have been practising for a while now on my own and will go full throttle at the camp. I am in a good space now and keen to do well in the IPL when I get a chance," the genial Dubey told this daily in an exclusive chat before joining the camp.

Dubey also won the Madhavrao Scindia Award for being the highest wicket-taker in the 2024-25 Ranji season. The spin-bowling all-rounder scored 476 runs and claimed 69 wickets in 10 matches during the season. Besides, he also captained Vidarbha in the 2025-26 season and guided them to their first-ever Vijay Hazare Trophy title by defeating Saurashtra in the final. A couple of years back the lanky left-arm spinner chose to play in the TNCA First Division league in Chennai to hone his skills. The move paid dividends as Dubey is now one of standout performers in the Indian domestic circuit and a player to watch out for in the IPL.

Hyderabad finished sixth last season but now look more formidable especially after the mini-auction. They have some of the world's most explosive batters like Abhishek Sharma, Ishan Kishan, Travis Head, Heinrich Klaasen in their ranks. "I feel we have one of the best batting line-up in this IPL and I think we have a very good Indian domestic bowling unit, so I feel it's a very good team," said Dubey.

Harsh Dubey | IPL

Abhishek and Ishan, who were part of the World Cup-winning India squad, are in great form and it augurs well for SRH. "It is nice to have World Cup-winning heroes in the squad. Both Ishan and Abhishek were terrific in the tournament. Ishan as you said has been in terrific form in the last year or so. So it augurs well for us," insisted Dubey.

Last season against Kolkata Knight Riders, Dubey accounted for Rinku Singh, Andre Russell and Ramandeep Singh and that helped Hyderabad rout KKR by 110 runs. "I am bowling well, hitting the deck. It's (flow) going good, the rhythm is good. I have been bowling nicely in the last two years across formats for my state. So given an opportunity, I will certainly do well."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

GUJARAT TITANS

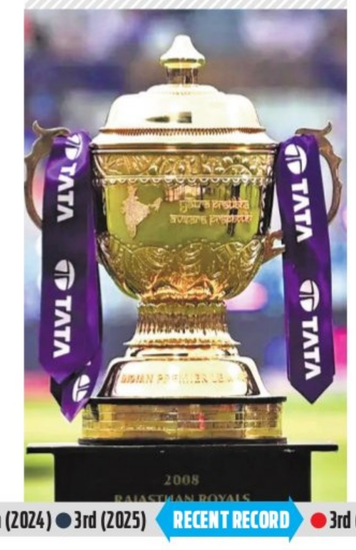
WHAT THEY DID IN THE AUCTION: The Gujarat Titans were one of the quietest teams in the mini-auction. Marquee signings included West Indies all-rounder Jason Holder (₹7 crore) and Englishman Tom Banton (₹2 crore). The 2022 champs did not make any big changes and will hope Sai Sudharsan, Shubman Gill and Jos Buttler fire again.

CAPTAIN'S WATCH: Gill will be hoping this IPL season turns his fortunes around, as he was ousted from the T20 World Cup squad before the tournament. After a 650-run IPL season, Gill struggled when playing for India, failing to score a half-century in the 15 matches he played last year. The GT skipper will aim to make the team title contenders this season.

WHAT THEY DID LAST SEASON: The Titans looked set to finish in the top-two and enter the qualifiers as favourites until they collapsed in the final few games of the league stage. They were knocked out in the Eliminator by Mumbai Indians.

FOCUS ON TITANS, GIANTS

TITANS, AFTER SIGNING WINDIES ALL-ROUNDER JASON HOLDER, WILL BE AIMING TO CHALLENGE FOR THE TOP PRIZE WHILE RISHABH PANT-LED LSG, WHO STRUGGLED LAST TERM, WILL BE HOPING FOR AN IMPROVED SHOW THIS TIME. A LOOK AT THE TWO TEAMS...



LUCKNOW SUPER GIANTS

WHAT THEY DID IN THE AUCTION: Lucknow entered the auction after trading in a couple of players. They made a late bid for Australian Josh Inglis, who was bought for ₹8.6 crore. They also signed Sri Lankan Wanindu Hasaranga and focussed on uncapped players like Mukul Choudhary and Akshat Raghuvanshi.

CAPTAIN'S WATCH: Rishabh Pant has been working ahead of a crucial IPL year, both as a white-ball batter and captain. A strong season could be the start of his journey from being India's benchwarmer to the playing XI in white-ball teams. Last year, his ₹27 crore price tag may have contributed to his poor form but now he'll aim for consistent show.

WHAT THEY DID LAST YEAR: Lucknow started well but faltered when it mattered. Their batting was among the league's best, but the bowling lagged. Additions like Wanindu Hasaranga and Md Shami (traded in for ₹10 crore from SRH) may raise standards.

● Winners (2022) ● runners-up (2023) ● 8th (2024) ● 3rd (2025) **RECENT RECORD** ● 3rd (2022) ● 3rd (2023) ● 7th (2024) ● 7th (2025)

Mar 31	Apr 4	Apr 8	FIRST THREE MATCHES	Apr 1	Apr 5	Apr 9
vs PBKS @ Mullanpur	vs RR @ Ahmedabad	vs DC @ Delhi		vs DC @ Lucknow	vs SRH @ Hyderabad	vs KKR @ Kolkata

Nat'l Indoor meet: Athletics set for fresh chapter

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bhubaneswar

IN sport, there is always a special kind of charm associated with the word maiden. Whether it is a maiden title, medal or a maiden century, it always holds a special place in the heart of an athlete. Not too far would be the association of a venue. Like a medal or century, even hosting a maiden international or national competition is special.

When the newly-built Kalinga Indoor Stadium holds the first National Indoor Athletics Championships on Tuesday and Wednesday, a new chapter will begin in the history of Indian athletics. Needless to say, the excitement is palpable. The Athletics Federation of India (AFI) is hosting the first-ever indoor competition here with as many as 278 athletes expected to participate including 97 female athletes. This will also be a precursor to the prestigious World Indoor Athletics competition the venue is scheduled to host in 2028 (March). The World Athletics announced this during its council meeting last week.

"Competitors are excited to add a new chapter to their athletics profile," the AFI president Bahadur Singh Sagoo told the media on Monday. The AFI chief hopes this event will spur the field to bring out their A-game. "The two-day indoor competition, which has attracted young and experienced athletes, will be a good platform to test skills over the 200m indoor track," the AFI president said.

Someone who's relishing the opportunity to be part of this historic event is Animesh Kujur, a local athlete with plenty of promise. "This is the first time AFI is going to conduct the championship, that too at my home ground. I am excited and well prepared for this meet and eyeing a podium finish," Kujur said. Triple jumper Praveen Chithravel is someone who's well-versed when it comes to indoor competitions, having competed across venues in Europe and Asia. The national record holder (outdoor) is just as excited. "The atmosphere during indoor competitions is electrifying," said Chithravel. "The compact Indoor track arena allows athletes more opportunity to connect with the fans and at the same time boost self-confidence."

Odisha's director sports, Yeddula Vijay, felt the indoor facility is a welcome boost for athletes, looking to gain vital insights about their respective disciplines. "The Odisha government-run indoor arena at Kalinga Stadium is a big opportunity for athletes to continue to practice in all-weather conditions," Vijay said. The first medal that will be up for grabs on Day 1 will be the men's 3,000m track race. The competition will be conducted in both senior and U20 age groups.

Athletics Federation of India chief Bahadur Singh Sagoo (C) with other other officials in Bhubaneswar on Monday | AFI

FOOTBALL

Vinicius' brace as Real down Atletico

AGENCIES @Barcelona

VINICIUS Junior struck twice as Real Madrid shaded Atletico Madrid 3-2 in a thrilling derby clash on Sunday to stay on leaders Barcelona's tail at the top of La Liga. After the Catalan giants edged Rayo Vallecano 1-0 earlier, Madrid ensured the gap to the champions stayed at four points by beating Diego Simeone's side at the Santiago Bernabeu.

Ademola Lookman put Atletico ahead in the first half but Vinicius and Federico Valverde's strikes gave the hosts the lead soon after the interval. Nahuel Molina equalised for Atletico, fourth, with a spectacular effort from distance but Vinicius netted again to claim the three points for Los Blancos.

Vinicius Junior | AFP

Valverde was sent off for hacking Alex Baena in the final stages but his side held on to win in Alvaro Arbeloa's first derby clash with Atletico since taking over in January. "We showed mental toughness and strength worthy of this club's badge," Arbeloa told reporters, proud of his team's effort with 10 men. "It made things hard for us and we had to suffer a lot."

After ousting Manchester City in the Champions League last 16 on Tuesday, victory against Atletico completed a successful week for Arbeloa and his team. "We're evolving and working hard so that in games like these Madrid fans can be happy, that the fans can enjoy themselves and that Madrid always win," Vinicius told Real Madrid TV.

Vinicius's double brought him to 10 goals in his last 11 matches across all competitions. Atletico are a point behind third-place Villarreal after they beat Real Sociedad on Friday.

Navnirman Ke 9 Varsh

Strong Law & Order
Safer Society
Empowered Citizens

Over the past nine years, under the decisive and visionary leadership of Hon'ble Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, Uttar Pradesh has undergone a historic transformation in governance, security, and public administration. The Government of Uttar Pradesh has prioritised law and order as the foundation of development, investment, and social harmony. Through a firm zero-tolerance policy against crime, extensive police reforms, technology-driven policy, faster justice delivery and citizen-centric initiatives, the state has emerged as a model of effective governance and internal security.

9 Years of Yogi Government: A New Era of Law & Order

Zero-tolerance policy against crime and criminals implemented across the state.

No incidents of communal riots or caste conflicts reported since 2017, reflecting strengthened social harmony.

Continuous decline in crime due to proactive policing and strict enforcement.

Establishment of Police Commissionerate system in 7 major cities, resulting in faster decision-making, improved policing, and better grievance redressal.

Mission Shakti: Women Safety & Empowerment

- Mission Shakti Centres established in every police station.
- 40,000 police personnel trained for women safety services.
- Mobility support provided to all centres.

Crime reduction observed (September-December 2025):

- Kidnapping of women & children reduced by 17.03%
- Dowry deaths reduced by 12.96%
- Domestic violence reduced by 9.54%
- Uttar Pradesh ranked No.1 in India in disposal of women & child crime cases (98.90%).
- Pendency rate reduced to 0.20%, highest national ranking.
- Recruitment of 19,839 women police personnel and allocation of 9,172 women beats.
- Anti-Romeo Squads operational in every district.
- Women PAC battalions strengthened and expanded.
- Statewide campaigns: Mission Shakti 5.0, Operation Garud, Shield, Destroy, Bachpan, Khoj, Dial, and Raksha.

Decisive Action Against Criminals & Mafia Networks

- Stringent enforcement actions against organized criminal operations across Uttar Pradesh.
- As part of a 'shoot-to-disable' police campaign in UP, 256 criminals were killed and over 10,000 suspects injured in 'half-encounters' since 2017.
- 22,306 rewarded criminals arrested and sent to jail.
- 85,118 criminals booked under the Gangster Act and 977 under the National Security Act (NSA).
- Over ₹14,580 Crore in illegal assets seized by authorities (March 2017-December 2025)

- **Action against mafia gangs:**
  - 1,459 accused booked in 875 cases; 638 arrested.
  - NSA invoked against 18; Gangster Act against 785 offenders.
  - ₹4,137 crore+ illegal assets confiscated.
- **Effective prosecution ensured justice:**
  - 35 mafia and 94 associates awarded life imprisonment.
  - 2 criminals sentenced to death.

Remarkable Reduction in Crime (Compared to 2016)

Dacoity reduced by **90%**	Dowry deaths reduced by **19%**
Murder cases reduced by **47%**	Rioting incidents reduced by **70%**
Robbery reduced by **85%**	Kidnapping for ransom reduced by **62%**
Rape incidents reduced by **53%**	

Expansion of Police Infrastructure

Establishment of: ▪ 134 new police stations ▪ 86 police outposts ▪ 78 Women Police Counselling Centres ▪ 73 Cyber Crime Police Stations ▪ 75 Anti-Human Trafficking Police Stations ▪ 6 Narcotics Police Stations ▪ Dedicated vigilance and economic offence units.

Forensic & Anti-Corruption Reforms

- Functional forensic laboratories increased from 4 (2017) to 12, with 6 more underway.
- Uttar Pradesh State Institute of Forensic Science established in Lucknow.
- Anti-Corruption Organisation strengthened with 8 new regional units.
- Since 2022, 999 successful trap operations, ₹1.26 crore recovered and action taken against 2,081 officials.

Technology-Driven Smart Policing

- Launch of YAKSH App, an AI-based digital beat policing platform.
- Prahari Beat Policing App integrated with CCTNS.
- UPCOP App delivering 27 citizen services including online FIR registration.
- 50 lakh+ downloads, over 2.1 crore services delivered, and 7 lakh lost articles registered.
- Character verification time reduced to 6 days.
- Crime Analytics Portal received FICCI Award 2025.
- Police Department ranked No.1 in Data Quality Index on CM Dashboard.

Cyber Security Strengthened

- Cyber Crime Police Stations operational in all 75 districts.
- Dedicated cyber call centre expanding capacity from 5,000 to 9,000 calls daily.
- 65,608 personnel trained via Cy-Train portal.
- Since 2017: 87,850 cyber cases registered, 75,272 cases disposed, Action against 53,639 accused and ₹382.25 crore recovered from cyber fraud.
- NCRB-2023: Conviction rate 87.8%, nearly double national average.

ADVERTORIAL

15 killed in attack on southern Sudan town

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	21	1	SNY	Los Angeles	20	12	SNY
Colombo	28	24	SNY	Melbourne	26	15	LC
Dhaka	31	19	SNY	Moscow	4	2	SNY
Dubai	26	21	SNY	New York	7	2	SNY
Houston	31	19	TDS	Singapore	28	25	TDS
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	1	-5	SNY
London	13	9	SNY	Washington	3	-2	SNY

IEA warns Iran war could hit global economy hard

Agency head said he consulted governments in European, Asian countries about the prospect of releasing additional stockpiled oil

Destruction and fire at the Iranian ministry of defence's electronics industries building in Tehran following a strike | AFP

WELLINGTON

THE head of the International Energy Agency said on Monday that the global economy faces a "major, major threat" because of the Iran war. "No country will be immune to the effects of this crisis if it continues to go in this direction," Fatih Birol told Australia's National Press Club in Canberra on Monday.

He said the crisis in the West Asia has had a worse combined impact than the two oil shocks of the 1970s and the effect on gas markets of the Russia-Ukraine war.His comments came as Israel launched a new wave of attacks early Monday against Tehran.

A top American commander also told Iranians to remain in shelters for the foreseeable future, while Iran renewed strikes on its Gulf neighbours and threatened to start hitting their power plants. Birol said 40 energy assets in nine countries across the region were "severely or very severely damaged."

WAR WATCH

The official added that he was consulting with governments in Europe and Asia about the prospect of releasing further stockpiled oil.

"We will see, we will look at the markets," he said. "If it is necessary of course we will do it, but we will look at the conditions, we will analyse, assess the market and discuss with our member countries." As Iran continues its stranglehold on the Strait of Hormuz, US President Donald Trump gave a 48 hour deadline for Tehran to open the strategic waterway to all ships, saying that otherwise the United States would "obliterate" Iran's power plants. Trump posted the threat to social media early Sunday in West Asia time zones.

Red Cross says West Asia war near 'point of no return'

Meanwhile, the International Committee of the Red Cross demanded Monday a halt to the "war on essential infrastructure" in the West Asia, warning of potential "irreversible consequences" including harm to nuclear facilities. "What we have seen in recent days in the West Asia risks reaching a point of no return," ICRC president Mirjana Spoljaric warned in a statement.

"Most alarming is the potential harm to nuclear facilities, whether deliberate or incidental," she said. Energy infrastructure has been repeatedly hit since the start of the war on February 28, when the United States and Israel began their attacks on Iran. Tehran has responded by striking targets in Israel and Gulf states. Over the weekend, an Iranian strike hit the southern Israeli town of Dimona, home to a nuclear facility, in what Tehran said was in response to an earlier attack on its nuclear site at Natanz.

"Damage to these sites could trigger irreversible consequences, which is why they are afforded heightened protections under the rules of war," Spoljaric said. She cautioned that "war on essential infrastructure is war on civilians". *AFP*

Hormuz open to friendly nations: Iran tells Sri Lanka

COLOMBO: Iran's envoy to Sri Lanka said the Strait of Hormuz remains open to friendly nations and offered to supply oil or essential goods if needed. The key route, which carries about 20% of global energy, has seen limited ship movement since the conflict began on February 28. Calling Sri Lanka a "friendly country," the envoy assured continued access. The crisis has roiled oil markets, with Sri Lanka raising fuel prices by 25%. He also condemned a US strike that sank the Iranian warship IRIS Dena near Sri Lanka, calling it a violation of international law. The vessel had earlier participated in a multilateral naval exercise hosted by India.

Iran toll unclear as blackouts deepen

Dubai: Iran has not updated its official death toll for weeks, leaving casualties largely unknown. The last health ministry update on March 8 put civilian deaths at around 1,200 from US and Israeli strikes. Human rights groups say the toll is higher but struggle to verify figures due to internet shutdowns and communication breakdowns. US-based HRANA estimates at least 1,407 civilians killed, including 214 children, calling it a minimum. Authorities have restricted access and reportedly targeted those sharing information. Infrastructure damage is extensive, with thousands of homes, businesses and medical facilities hit.

CHINA BRACES FOR FUEL SHORTAGE, HIKES PRICES

BEIJING

CHINA has increased retail fuel prices as part of preparations for a fuel crisis amid apprehensions that the US-Israel-Iran war may prolong, leading to shortages of gasoline and diesel.

China's top planner the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) has announced temporary measures starting from Tuesday amid increases in international oil prices.

The measures have been adopted to mitigate the impact of the abnormal rise in international oil prices, reduce the burden on downstream users, and ensure stable economic operation and social livelihood, the NDRC said.

Accordingly, gasoline and diesel prices will increase by 1,160 yuan and 1,115 yuan per tonne, respectively, according to the statement by NDRC. China reportedly has about four months of emergency reserves. Following the announcement of the fuel price hike, vehicle owners rushed to gas stations all over China to fill their vehicles' tanks.

The West Asia conflict has led to the blockade of the Strait of Hormuz, a key shipping route through which 20 per cent of the world's energy is transported. China depends on imports for about 70 per cent of its crude oil, with roughly 45 per cent of imports linked to flows through the Strait of Hormuz, implying about 30 per cent of total oil supply in the country is exposed to Hormuz disruptions.

"China's energy consumption and power generation mix suggest that it is less exposed to energy supply shortage from Hormuz disruptions than most major economies and Asian peers," Andrew Tilton, a China economics analyst at Goldman Sachs in Hong Kong, told *South China Morning Post*. *PTI*

COUNTRIES ACT TO LIMIT FUEL PRICE RISE AND CUT CONSUMPTION

PARIS: Rising fuel prices have pushed countries to shield consumers and businesses through tax cuts, subsidies and price caps. Spain, Portugal and Sweden cut VAT, while Japan and Taiwan are using subsidies. Several nations have imposed fuel price limits or waived import duties. Others are tapping reserves, rationing fuel or restricting travel. Bangladesh has introduced rationing, while Egypt and the Philippines have curbed travel. Many countries are also promoting work-from-home, public transport and broader energy-saving measures to reduce fuel consumption.

Flames and thick black smoke rise from an Air Force Hercules that crashed during takeoff | AFP

80 feared dead in Colombia military plane crash

BOGOTA

A Colombian military plane carrying 125 troops and crew crashed on take off Monday, with as many as 80 people aboard feared dead. The Hercules aircraft went down shortly after departure from Puerto Leguizamo, near the southern border with Ecuador, strewing burning wreckage on the jungle floor.

The troubled border area has been the scene of heavy military activity in recent weeks, as the Colombian and Ecuadoran militaries try to tackle drug-running cartels and militias. The toll remained unclear.

Officials said that as many as 48 survivors had been found. A military source told AFP that 80 people may have been killed, although there was no official toll. Images from the scene showed civilians clambering around the broken tail of the aircraft, marked FAC 1016, as smoke and flames billowed above the trees.

Defense Minister Pedro Sanchez expressed "deep sorrow" over the disaster.

"Military units are already at the scene," Sanchez posted on social media, adding that "the number of victims and the causes of the crash have not yet been confirmed." "It is a deeply painful event for the country...," said Sanchez. *AFP*

Smoke rising from the Russian oil terminal at Primorsk, the most important Russian loading port in the Baltic Sea, following a drone attack claimed by Ukraine | AFP

Ukraine drones hit major Russian oil port near Finland

MOSCOW

UKRAINE fired drones at a key Russian oil port near the Finnish border on Monday, both Moscow and Kyiv said, triggering a huge fire at the facility.

Satellite images showed flames and thick plumes of black smoke rising into the air from the oil terminal in the Russian town of Primorsk, which sits on the Gulf of Finland and is about 50 kilometres from the EU and NATO member. Russia has been pummelling Ukraine with near-daily air strikes, repeatedly hitting its energy infrastructure and triggering blackouts that plunged millions into cold and darkness during the winter months.

Ukraine has retaliated by launching drone attacks at Russia, mainly at Moscow's energy and military facilities. "A fuel tank was damaged in the port of Primorsk, causing a fire," said Alexander Drozdenko, governor of Russia's western Leningrad region.

Drozdenko said Russian air defence systems had destroyed more than 70 drones over the region, which has not been a main front in Russia's war with Ukraine. The General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine said it had "struck key fuel and energy infrastructure facilities in the Russian Federation", including at Primorsk. "According to preliminary information, both the tank farm and the oil loading infrastructure were hit," the General Staff said on social media on Monday.

The satellite images appeared to show fires and smoke rising from several cylindrical fuel tanks at the site. Ukraine said Primorsk handles approximately 60 million tonnes of oil per year. "The aggressor country uses the proceeds from oil sales to continue the war against Ukraine," it added. The General Staff also claimed a hit on an oil refinery in the central Russian city of Ufa. *AFP*

Handles 60M tonnes

Ukraine said Primorsk handles approximately 60 million tonnes of oil per year. It said that Moscow fired 251 drones at Ukraine.

ASIA MATTERS

SINGAPORE

PUSH TO MAKE CYBER SECURITY ACCESSIBLE

As cybersecuirty threats multiply, three homegrown companies from Singapore, AgileMark, Scantist and StrongKeep are pioneering technologies that make cybersecurity more accessible and effective for businesses, including SMEs without dedicated security teams. "In Singapore, online scams and ransomware attacks continue to be key concerns. At the same time, advances in AI are transforming both cyber threats and cybersecurity and rapidly expanding the attack surface of enterprises," said Mr Willis Lim, Executive Director, TIG Centre.

MALAYSIA

HEATWAVE ALERT IN KUALA LUMPUR

The Malaysian Meteorological Department has listed Kuala Lumpur among locations affected by the current heatwave. Other locations include Selama, Kuala Kangsar, Kinta and Hulu Perak in Perak, as well as Daerah Utara and Timur-Laut in Penang, Sik, Padang Terap, Kubang Pasu, Pulau Langkawi, Kuala Muda, and Kulim.

THAILAND

VISA-FREE STAYS TO BECOME SHORTER

The government is planning to reduce the duration of visa-free stays for international visitors from 60 days to 30 days, reports said. As per a report, authorities are reviewing the existing visa-free regime after identifying cases of misuse. In somes cases, the authorities have also found the use of tourist visas by individuals involved in online scam operations. "In practice, a 30-day period should be sufficient for most tourists," Foreign Minister Sihasak Phuangketkeow was quoted as saying by *TravelBiz Monitor*. Tourism is a key sector for Thailand's economy.

2 pilots dead as plane hits fire truck at US airport

NEW YORK

AN Air Canada jet carrying more than 70 passengers collided with a fire truck while landing at New York's LaGuardia Airport late Sunday, killing the pilot and copilot and injuring several others, officials said. The impact severed the cockpit, and hurled a flight attendant — still secured to her seat — far from the site of the crash, her daughter told a Canadian TV station. The flight attendant survived.

The fire truck was crossing the tarmac just before midnight after being given permission to check on another plane reporting an odor onboard. Before the collision, an air traffic controller can be heard on airport communications frantically telling the fire truck to stop.

Roughly 20 minutes later, the controller appears to blame himself. "We were dealing with an emergency earlier," the controller said. "I messed up." About 40 passengers and crew members on the regional jet from Montreal, and two people from the fire truck, were taken to hospitals, some with serious injuries. Most were released by Monday morning, authorities said.

A key for investigators will be examining coordination of the airport's air traffic and ground traffic at the time of the crash, said Mary Schiavo, a former Department of Transportation Inspector General.

"I don't know how many wake-up calls the (Federal Aviation Administration) needs, but this has been happening for years..." *AP*

A Port Authority aircraft rescue and firefighting vehicle lays on its side off of runway 4 after colliding with an Air Canada jet at LaGuardia Airport | AP

EXPRESS READ

ICE officers seen at Atlanta airport

ATLANTA: Federal immigration officers have been seen at an airport in Atlanta after President Donald Trump said he'd deploy agents to supplement the Transportation Security Administration during a government shutdown.On Monday, federal agents were seen at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

India, China bear brunt of Don's visa crackdown

WASHINGTON: India and China bore the maximum brunt of tougher immigration policy unveiled by the Trump administration which issued 2.5 lakh fewer visas in the first eight months of 2025 compared with the same period in 2024, a report said. From Jan to Aug 2025, the US approved 11% fewer permanent resident and temporary visas.

Zimbabwe detains top government critic

HARARE: Zimbabwe has detained the leading opponent to planned constitutional amendments that would extend the rule of the country's 83-year-old president and make the post elected by Parliament. Former finance minister Tendai Biti was to appear in court on Monday. It's the highest profile detention yet of government critics.

JULY 12, 1937—MARCH 22, 2026

French ex-PM Lionel Jospin, architect of 35-hour week, dies

PARIS

FORMER French Prime Minister Lionel Jospin, who gave France its 35-hour work week and then withdrew from politics after leading France's Socialist Party to an earth-shaking presidential election defeat against far-right firebrand Jean-Marie Le Pen, has died. He was 88. His death was confirmed by the current prime minister, Sebastien Lecornu, after the national news agency, Agence France-Presse, reported that Jospin died on Sunday, citing his family.

Lecornu said in a post on X that Jospin "served France with constancy, rigour and a sense of responsibility" and that "his actions, guided by a certain vision of social progress and republican values, leave a lasting mark and a model of commitment." A tousle of white curls and thick-rimmed glasses gave Jospin the trappings of the economics professor he was before being unexpectedly named as head of the Socialist Party in 1981 by newly elected President Francois Mitterrand.

Untarnished by allegations of corruption, Jospin re-established credibility for the Socialists after bribery and fraud scandals led to their downfall in the 1993 parliamentary elections.

He became prime minister in 1997, holding the post until 2002, leading a broad left-wing government under French conservative President Jacques Chirac in a power-sharing arrangement dubbed "cohabitation." *AP*

BENGALURU WEST CITY CORPORATION

IPP Center, Vyalikaval, 16th cross, Malleshwarm, Bengaluru-560003.

No: Bwcc/Comm/PSR(G)/1022/2025-26 **Date: 18/03/2026**

NOTIFICATION

FORM-1 (Under Sec 14B(4)(i))

In exercise of powers conferred under section 14-B (4) of the Karnataka Town and Country Planning Act 1961 the following 'Area' mentioned in the schedule below is required by The CHIEF COMMISSIONER, BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE for for "Widening and comprehensive development of Uttarahalli main road from Mysuru road to Adithya Bakery Circle" (Published under annual scheme of works vide. No: UDD 375 MNY 2018, Dated 20-09-2019) It is hereby informed to the land owners and interested persons whose lands are required for the public purpose, to appear and submit their claims along with the copies of the relevant documents viz, (i) Sale /Partition / other deeds of title, (ii) Up-to-date RTC's (iii) katha/Mutation Copy (iv) Tax paid receipts (V) conversion order of Non agriculture purpose (vi) Revenue sketch (vii) Akar band etc., in person in the place within thirty days from the date of publication of this notification as indicated in the address below and state their respective interest in such land.

The place where land owners / interested persons have to appear and submit their claims	Name and address of the divisional / Sub divisional / branch offices	Date and time
The Deputy Commissioner (LAQ & TDR) Room No. 112, 1st Floor, BWCC, Bengaluru-560 003.	**The Commissioner Bengaluru West City Corportion, Vyalikaval,16th cross, Malleshwarm Bengaluru-560 003.**	30 days from the date of Notification Time: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

The land owners / interested parties of the scheduled properties whose lands are to be acquired shall give the consent for Grant of Development Rights to the **Commissioner, Bengaluru West City Corportion.**

The land owners shall receive twice the area of land surrendered in lieu of monetary compensation as DR (Notional land) and two time the building area surrendered as estimated by the value of the building area surrendered divided by the Market value of the land on which the building is constructed. The Notional land can be utilized by factorizing with the market value at the originating plot and receiving plot. The Notional land is eligible for FAR and can be used as additional built up area at the receiving plot as per the terms and conditions prescribed in the Benefit of Development Rights Rules, 2016.

The public is hereby informed about the details of the land and land owners and interested persons whose lands are required for the public purpose and Development Rights Certificates (DRCs) are to be issued in lieu of monetary compensation. Any objections and suggestions are to be addressed to the Special Land Acquisition Officer, O/o the Deputy Commissioner (LAQ & TDR), BWCC within thirty days from the date of publication of this Notification.

SCHEDULE

"Acquisition of land required for "Widening and comprehensive development of Uttarahalli main road from Mysuru road to Adithya Bakery Circle" (Published under annual scheme of worksvide. No: UDD 375 MNY 2018, Dated 20-09-2019.This Notification is based on existing survey numbers of proposed road. At the time of form -III individual file is created and documents are checked based on available Katha of each property carved out of each notified survey numbers and Relinquishment deed will be issued to concerned land owners hence fourth as per TDR rules.

Name of the District: **Bengaluru Urban** Name of the Taluk: **Bengaluru South** Name of the Village: **Kengeri**

Sl No.	Sy.No/ Khatha No.	Type of Land: Vacant	Type of Land: Built up	Nature of Land: Agriculture	Nature of Land: Converted undeveloped	Nature of Land: Approved Layout / developed Land Building Site	Dimension of the Land/ Plot & Extent in Sq.M: Dimension	Extent	Boundaries of the Land / Plot: North	South	East	West	Building Details: Extent in Sq.M	Type of Construction & No.of Floors	Floor Area Ratio	Present Activity on Land/ Building (Specify Specific activity such as Shop, Office, Factory, Apartment, Individual house etc.,	Market (guide -lines) value of the land Per Sq.M*: Agriculture/B-Khataha	Converted Undeveloped	Developed Site	Name and address of the owner of the plot/Land for Which DRC is to be issued / already issued
1	39/1	Vacant Land		Private Land			18.36		Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttarahalli Main Road								D.T. Sangeetha
2	47	Vacant Land		Private Land			2404.53		Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-47	Remaining Portion of Survey No-47								Priyadarshini W/O M. Krishnappa & Krishanppa S/o Nanjappa (2079.36 sqmt DRC Issued)
3	39/6	Vacant Land		Private Land			2.17		Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road								K.C. Muniyappa
4	39/5	Vacant Land		Private Land			11.92		Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road		Sheet House						Yallamma
5	39/5	Vacant Land		Private Land			10.39		Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road								ChikkaKrishnappa
6	39/5	Vacant Land, Sheet House		Private Land			15.17		Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road								Venkatesh
7	39/4 katha no:687/527/1	Vacant Land, Compound		Private Land			42.75		Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road								Siddaraju
8	39/12	Vacant Land,		Private Land			25.27		Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road								Padamaraj S/O Late Veranna
9	39/2	Vacant Land,		Private Land			48.39		Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road								Syed Nazeebbuddin S/O Late Syed Abdul Waheb
10	39/11	Sheet Shops		Private Land			62.49		Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road								Lakshmi (Dhamodar Naik)
11	39/11	Sheet Shops		Private Land			62.49		Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Remaining Portion of Survey No-39	Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road								Jayamma and Vishwanath
12	48	Sheet Shops, and G+1 Building		Private Land			70.60		Uttrahalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road	Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-48								Michel
13	48	Vacant Land, G+1 Building		Private Land			91.96		Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-48	Remaining Portion of Survey No-48								Radhamma
14	55	Vacant Land, Sheet Shop		Private Land			71.70		Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-55	Remaining Portion of Survey No-55	Uttarhalli Main Road								Vasanthakumar
15	55	Vacant Land, Sheet Shop		Private Land			60.85		Remaining Portion of Survey No-55	Remaining Portion of Survey No-55	Remaining Portion of Survey No-55	Uttarhalli Main Road								Vasudev Late Narayana
16	48	Vacant Land		Private Land			115.21		Remaining Portion of Survey No-48	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-48	Remaining Portion of Survey No-48								1.N. Nagaraj 2. Ravikumar 3. Prashanth Kumar
17	48	Vacant Land		Private Land			78.34		Remaining Portion of Survey No-48	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-48	Remaining Portion of Survey No-48								1.N. Nagaraj 2. Ravikumar 3. Prashanth Kumar
18	55	Coconut Garden		Private Land			142.27		Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of S.No.39								1.N. Nagaraj 2. Ravikumar 3. Prashanth Kumar
19	55 katha no.4507/ 529/A/55/1	Vacant Land, Compound Wall, Sheet House		Private Land			79.71		Bangalore Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of S.No.47	Uttarhalli Main Road								Doctor savitha W/0 Doctor Kishor
20	55	Vacant Land, Compound Wall,		Private Land			168.56		Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Uttarhalli Main Road								C. Harish
21	55	Vacant Land, Sheet Shops		Private Land			119.68		Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Uttarhalli Main Road								A.S. Kumar
22	55	Vacant Land, Compound Wall,		Private Land			225.37		Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Uttarhalli Main Road								Dream Home Builders & Developers
23	55	Vacant Land, Compound Wall,		Private Land			45.60		Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Uttarhalli Main Road								Laxmisagar
24	55	Vacant Land Sheet House		Private Land			124.30		Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Uttarhalli Main Road								1. Panduranga 2. Pacchamma
25	55	RCC Buildings,		Private Land			226.46		Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Uttarhalli Main Road								Rajesh
26	83	Vacant Land		Private Land			20.00		Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Uttarhalli Main Road								Naveen S/o Anjanappa
27	83	Sheet Shop & RCC Building		Private Land			205.51		Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Uttarhalli Main Road								Krishnegowda S/O K.S. Hanumappa
28	84	Vacant Land, Compound Wall		Private Land			54.46		Sy no 47	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of S.No.48	Remaining Portion of S.No.48								Tippanna and Prakash
29	81	Vacant Land, Compound Wall		Private Land			20.00		Portion of S.No.39	Remaining Portion of S.No.39	Sy no 55	Uttarhalli Main Road								Chikkaswami Prakash

47	46	45	44	43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31	30
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Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land
111.28	148.88	171.96	182.63	10.00	14.50	289.46	34.23	33.97	23.83	20.51	20.00	20.00	11.89	20.00	35.02	27.37	123.89
Survey No-84 & Road	Survey No-83 & Road	Survey No-83	Vrishabawathi \River	Vrishabawathi \River	Portion of S.No.55	Portion of S.No.55	Portion of S.No.55	Portion of S.No.55	Portion of S.No.55	Portion of S.No.55	Portion of S.No.55	Portion of S.No.55	Survey No-48	Portion of Survey No-48	Portion of Survey No-55	Road	Portion of S.No.48
Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-81	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-83	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-55	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-55	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-55	Remaining Portion of Survey No-55	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-55	Remaining Portion of S.No.55	Uttarhalli Main Road
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Deeraj Kumar Punja (DRC Issued)	Foods & Beverages Pvt Ltd	Lingamurthy	H.Mokthar Ahmed Khan	Foods & Beverages Pvt Ltd	Nagaraju Naidu	Naksha Hyde Park Apartment	S Manjulla W/o Devendrappa	Suguna W/O Kaverappa	G S Shankar S/o Haleshappa G P	Ravi Chandra	Shankar	K.S. Vasudevan & K.S. Rukmini	K.S. Vasudevan & K.S. Rukmini	Sridhar	K.S. Vasudevan & K.S. Rukmini	Nvastu Properties	Naseer Huseen Prakash

65	64	63	62	61	60	59	58	57	56	55	54
68	68	68	69	30/2	30/1	29	36/1	28	38	38	37
RCC Building , Vacant Land, Bangalore Pipes & Tube Company	G+1 Building, Krishna Leela Pure Veg Hotel	Vavant Land	Vavant Land	Vavant Land	Vacant Land, Compound Wall	Vavant Land	Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Mylasandra Lake
Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Government Land
34.36	18.46	44.53	74.57	836.45	1902.81	1085.26	1067.08	1728.75	6.37	70.26	3037.87
Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.57/1	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.57/1	Portion of S.No.57/2	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.57/1	Portion of \S.No.82/6	Portion of S.No.82/7	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.82/5	Uttarhalli Main Road
Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-57/1	Survey No-57/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-57/1	Survey No-57/3	Survey No-57/2	Remaining Portion of Survey No-57/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-57/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-82/6	Remaining Portion of Survey No-61/18	Remaining Portion of Survey No-82/7	S.No.61
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Survey No-57/3	Remaining Portion of Survey No-57/1	Survey No-57/2	Remaining Portion of Survey No-57/1	Survey No-57/3	Survey No-61/1B	Survey No-82/6	Survey No-82/7	Remaining Portion of Survey No-82/5	Survey No-81	Remaining Portion of Survey No-82/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-81
K. Subramanya Naidu	Varaha Developers	M. Manjula W/O Muniramaswami	C. Sridharan S/O Late P.K. Panikar	C. Sridharan S/O Late P.K. Panikar	Sawan Darbar Ashram	C. Sridharan S/O Late P.K. Panikar	Sawan Darbar Ashram	C. Sridharan S/O Late P.K. Panikar	M.J.J.Taragan and Others	B.S Kamalesh Shasry	Mylasandra Lake

Name of the District: **Bengaluru Urban** Name of the Taluk: **Bengaluru South** Name of the Village: **Mylasandra**

53	52	51	50	49	48
58	59	59	59	Khatha No- 4806 57/1	57/4
Mylasandra Lake	Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Sheet Shops	Vavant Land	Vavant Land
Government Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land
793.87	5.31	37.62	22.28	385.70	134.27
Survey No82	Remaining Portion of Survey No-82	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.82	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road
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Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-81	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-81	Remaining Portion of Survey No-81
Remaining Portion of Survey No-82	Remaining Portion of Survey No-82	Remaining Portion of Survey No-81	Remaining Portion of Survey No-81	Remaining Portion of Survey No-81	Remaining Portion of Survey No-81
Lake	1. Yashavant Kumar 2. Narenkumar	Deepak	Jamuna	K.Dinesh Reddy & K. Joothirmayee Reddy (DRC Issued)	Revamma W/O Late Ramaiah

83	82	81	80	79	78	77	76	75	74	73	72	71	70	69	68	67	66
59	59	59 katha no1769	59 katha no1768	59 Katha no :1770	59	59 katha no 1837/1772/49/60	60	60	60 Katha no:1857/ 51/60/1774/1839	60	60	59	26	68	68	68	68
Vavant Land	Vavant Land	Vavant Land	Vavant Land	RCC House	RCC House	Vacant Land	Vacant Land, Redhawks Football Academy Play Ground, R Squuare Cricket Club	Vacant Land Compound Wall	Vacant Land	Compound Wall, Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Compound Wall, Vacant Land	Compound Wall, Turahalli State Forest	Compound Wall, Abhiman Studio	Vacant Land, Sheet House, RCC Building	Compound Wall, Vacant Land	RCC Building , Vacant Land, Balaji Steels & Pipes
Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Turahalli State Forest	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land
53.48	43.11	35.16	27.39	20.54	20.95	19.48	623.22	33.96	46.40	266.76	591.75	57.64	446.87	417.57	722.89	59.39	44.57
Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttrahalli Main Road & S.No.29	Road & s.No. 30/2	Portion of S.No.30/1	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.36	Uttarhalli Main Road	Road	Portion of S.No.38	Uttarhalli Main Road	Mylasandra Village Boundary	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.57/1
Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Road	Survey No-29	Road	Survey No-69	Survey No-30	Survey No-29	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-37	Remaining Portion of Survey No-58	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-57/1
Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-29	Remaining Portion of Survey No-30/2	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-29	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-28	Remaining Portion of Survey No-38	Remaining Portion of Survey No-38	Kengeri Village Boundary	Remaining Portion of Survey No-58	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Uttarhalli Main Road
Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Road	Survey No-29	Survey No-29	Survey No-36/1	Survey No-28	Remaining Portion of Survey No-36	Survey No-37	Remaining Portion of Survey No-38	Remaining Portion of Survey No-38	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59&Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Uttarhalli Main Road
C. Subramanya Naidu	C. Subramanya Naidu	Mohana Velu	Padmanaban	J. Devaraju Naidu	A. Govinda Naidu	Ramesh Naidu	D. Muniraju	V. Kumar Naidu	N. Nagaraj	1. Sri Chaithanya 2. Sushmashree	P. Venugopal Naidu	P. Venugopal Naidu	Turahalli State Forest	Turahalli State Forest	N. Manjunath	Kumar N and L.Sujatha	Y.C. Roopa

101	100	99	98	97	96	95	94	93	92	91	90	89	88	87	86	85	84
25/3B	25/4	25/4	25/1	25/1	25/4	25/1	25/4	25/1	25/4	25/1Cmc katha no:1294	25/4	25/1	25/4	25/1 katha no: 149/1249/2619	25/4	25/4	25/1
Vavant Land	Vavant Land	Vavant Land	RCC Building, Shoba Resto Plus, Nisarga Furniture	RCC Building, Sri Ganesh Xerox, SLN Bakery	Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Vacant Land, UCO Bank, Sri Sai Comforts	Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Vavant Land	Vavant Land	Vavant Land	Vacant Land, Indian Institute of Nursing	Vavant Land
Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land
33.52	47.19	29.43	21.29	69.65	14.70	46.52	4.61	47.59	8.60	45.52	14.48	43.90	14.82	40.99	18.34	28.39	69.53
Portion of S.No.25/1	Portion of S.No.59	Portion of S.No.59	Portion of S.No.59	Portion of S.No.59	Portion of S.No.59	Portion of S.No.60	Portion of S.No.60	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.60	Portion of S.No.60	Portion of S.No.60	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.59	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road
Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Survey No-60	Survey No-26	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68
Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-26	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68
Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-59	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Remaining Portion of Survey No-60	Survey No-26	Survey No-26	Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68	Remaining Portion of Survey No-68
1. Gurusharan Koura 2. Harfal Singh	Amar Kumar S/O R Jayaram	J. Nandakishore S/O R Jayaram	1. M Anand 2. B.M. Prasannakumar	B.L. Kiran	K. Muralidhar & others	V.Srikanth	1. Varalakshmi 2. V. Rajendra Babu	Sanchitha	J. Ravikumar	R. Sathish	1. Adusunil Srinivas 2. Velanky Srikanth	T. Prabhakar Naidu	Ramavaraprasad	Swapna	Ravi Naidu	1. Saraswathi 2. Shivaramegowda	Mahesh Gowda

Name of the District: **Bengaluru Urban** Name of the Taluk: **Bengaluru South** Name of the Village: **Ganakallu**

	119	118	117	116	115	114	113	112	111	110	109	108	107	106	105	104	103	102
Total Extent to be acquired (In Sqm) **25452.40**	16/1	15/2A	16/1	20/1D	20/1A	20/1C	20/1A	20/1A	20/1A	20/1B	20/1A	21/1A	21/3	14	25/2B1	25/2B1	25/3A	25/3B
	Vacant Land, Mandovi Motors	Vacant Land, Aryan Apulence Site Office	RCC Building, Stop & Joy Shop	Vacant Land	Vacant Land, Under Construction	Vacant Land, Iyengar Cake corner	Vacant Land, Shell Petrol Pump	Vavant Land	Vavant Land	Vvacant Land, Sheet House	Vacant Land, \Top In Town, Hyperbazaar	Vavant Land	Sheet Building, Nandi Marbels	Vavant Land	Vavant Land	Vacant Land, Indain Oil Petrol Bunk	Vacant Land, Compound Wall	Vacant Land, Compound Wall
	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land
89.93	168.49	31.32	32.19	39.19	82.89	23.33	82.46	39.41	30.53	57.12	6.57	72.22	74.41	26.98	202.60	41.97	910.34	12.23
Remaining Portion of Survey No-15/2A	Portion of S.No.25/3B	Portion of S.No.25/3B	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.25/1	Portion of S.No.25/1	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.25/1	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.25/1	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.25/1	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.25/1	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.25/1	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road
Survey No-15/2B	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/3B	Survey No-25/3A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-15/2A	Survey No-38	Road	Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4
Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4
Remaining Portion of Survey No-15/2A	Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Road	Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/4	Road
Sundar Rama Reddy	Aryan Construction	Prasannakumar	Mohankumar	K.R.Kumar and Others	Sharath	Archit Enterprises	Raju	Jayakumari	B.N. Hari	1. H.K. Nanjaiah 2. C.Vasanthakumari	Revanna	Srinivas	Chandrashekaraiah	Durgha Devi Shelters	Ashok C. Nilugal	Jagadguru Sri Sri Shivarathri Desi Kendra Maha Swamiji	Harpal Singh	

	137	136	135	134	133	132	131	130	129	128	127	126	125	124	123	122	121	120
Total Extent to be acquired (In Sqm) **25452.40**	16/1	16/1	16/1	16/1	15/4B	16/1	15/4B	16/1	16/1 Katha no:430	16/1 Katha no:348	16/1	16/1 katha no:04	16/1	Survey NO-15/4A, Khatha No.299/269/ 15/2A/15/3A/15/4A	16/1	15/3C	16/1	15/2A
	Vacant Land	Sheet House, Vacant Land	Aditya Bakery	Vacant Land	Sheet House, Vacant Land	Vacant Land	Sheet House, Vacant Land	Vavant Land	Vacant Land, Reeta Herbal Beauty Parlour	Vacant Land, Sri Lakshmi Venkateshwara Condiments	Sheet Shop	Sheet Shop, Chicken Shop	Vacant Land, Sri Balaji Granites	Vavant Land	Vavant Land	Vacant Land, Ambrosia Restaurant	Vacant Land, Mangalam Hardware	Vacant Land, Shivam Electricals & Hardwares
	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land	Private Land
89.93	89.93	132.14	27.62	27.87	31.82	25.83	101.65	51.59	41.58	45.25	52.50	19.68	80.36	542.42	70.56	40.47	95.55	18.75
Remaining Portion of Survey No-15/2A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-15/2A	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-15/2A	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1A	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.20/1A	Portion of S.No.20/1A	Portion of S.No.20/1A	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.21/1A	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Portion of S.No.14	Portion of S.No.25/2B1	Portion of S.No.25/2B1	Uttarhalli Main Road
Survey No-15/2B	Survey No-16/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-15/2A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-16/1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1D	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1D	Survey No-15	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1C	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1A	Survey No-20	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-21/1A	Survey No-21/1A	Survey No-21	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/2B1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/2B1	Survey No-14
Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-16/1	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1D	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1D	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1D	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1C	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-21/1A	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-21/1A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-21/3	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Uttarhalli Main Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/3A
Remaining Portion of Survey No-15/2A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-16/1	Survey No-20	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1D	Survey No-20/1C	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1A	Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1A	Road	Remaining Portion of Survey No-21/1A	Remaining Portion of Survey No-20/1A	Survey No-21/3	Survey No-14	Mylasandra Village Boundary	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/2B1	Remaining Portion of Survey No-25/2B1	Survey No-25/4
Sundar Rama Reddy	Vijayakumar . V Haski 2. Preethi . V Haski	Y H Janardhan	Jagadguru Sri Sri Shivarathri Desi Kendra Maha Swamiji	Vijayakumar . V Haski 2. Preethi . V Haski	M.Mahadevai and Others	Sundar Rama Reddy	Somraj	John M Vianney	Parvathamma W/O Chinnaswami	Gurappa Naidu	1. Padmanabha 2. Kabbalamma	Manjunath T N Naidu	(DRC Issued) Sri. N. N. Praveen S/o N Bhat	Santhosh Kumar	BDA Private site	B. Munirathnamma	Kiran Kumar	

Note: 1) The Market value of Land shall be subject to land conversion and development status to be decided at Form-III stage based on production of documents from the Land Owners. 2) The Building extent shall be verified at the time of Form-III Public Notice stage based on the Building Valuation and Benefits of Development Rights Rules, 2016

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Bengaluru West City Corportion

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APPENDIX- IV-A [SEE PROVISO TO RULE 8 (6)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Can Fin Homes Ltd., Whitefield Branch**, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **30.04.2026** (mention date of the sale), for recovery of amount mentioned hereinafter due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from respective Borrowers and Guarantors as on the respective dates, together with further interest and other charges thereon.

S. No.	Name of the Borrowers and Guarantors	Amount due as per Liability as on 23.03.2026	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit	Type of Possession	Description of the property
1.	**1. Mrs. Vaddilli Aparna** W/o. Sridhar Kumar R, No. 7-1-1621, Flat No. 05, S.R. Nagar, Andra Bank Lane, Hyderabad, Telangana-500038 **(Borrower), 2. Mr. R Krishna Prasad** S/o. Venkateswarlu Rajamahanthi, No. 76, RNS Layout, Nagondanahalli, Bengaluru - 560066 **(Guarantor). 3. Mr. Sridhar Kumar R** S/o. Venkateswarlu Rajamahanthi, No. 7-1-1621, Flat No. 05, S.R. Nagar, Andra Bank Lane, Hyderabad, Telangana-500038 **(Guarantor)**	**Rs. 31,19,689/-** (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Nineteen Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty Nine Only)	**Rs. 53,00,000/-** (Rupees Fifty Three Lakhs Only)	**Rs. 5,30,000/-** (Rupees Five Lakh Thirty Thousand Only)	Physical Possession	All that piece and parcel Of the Property bearing **Site No. 67,** formed in Sy. No. 87/4 (old Survey No.87/3), Present BBMP Sl. No. 6739, Situated at Nagondanahalli Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Presently under the administrative jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.84, measuring East to West: 42.5 Feet and North to South: 23 Feet, totally measuring 977.5 Sq.ft., along with the building to be constructed there on and **bounded on : East by :** Site No. 75 & 74, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Site No. 68, **South by :** Site No. 66. Encumbrance Nil
2.	**1. Mrs. Vaddilli Aparna** W/o. Sridhar Kumar R, No. 7-1-1621, Flat No. 05, S.R. Nagar, Andra Bank Lane, Hyderabad, Telangana-500038 **(Borrower), 2. Mr. R Krishna Prasad** S/o. Venkateswarlu Rajamahanthi, No. 76, RNS Layout, Nagondanahalli, Bengaluru - 560066 **(Guarantor).**	**Rs 31,15,824/-** (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Four Only)	**Rs. 56,00,000** (Rupees Fifty Six Lakhs Only)	**Rs. 5,60,000/-** (Rupees Five Lakh Sixty Thousand Only)	Physical Possession	All that Piece and parcel of the Property bearing **Site No. 68,** formed in Survey No. 87/4 (Old Survey No. 87/3), Present BBMP Sl. No. 6740, Situated at Nagondanahalli Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Presently under the administrative jurisdiction of BBMP, Ward No. 84, Measuring East to West 42.5 Feet and North to South 24 Feet Totally Measuring 1020 Square Feet, and **bounded on : East by :** Site Nos. 73 and 74, **West by :** 25 Feet Wide Road, **North by :** 25 Feet Wide Road, **South by :** Site No. 67. Encumbrance Nil

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, provided in the official website of **Can Fin Homes Ltd., (www.canfinhomes.com) please refer to the following link https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx**
Link for participating in e-auction : www.bankeauctionwizard.com

Place: Bangalore.
Date: 23.03.2026

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
Can Fin Homes Ltd.

ICICI Bank

Branch Office: ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068

PUBLIC NOTICE-TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for the sale of immovable asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Limited will be sold on 'As is where is', 'As is what is' and 'Whatever there is' as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of E-Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Mr. G Manju (Borrower) Sandhya (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LBMYS00006004216 LBMYS00006055940	As Described In The Loan Document / Property Document Covering All That Piece And Parcel of The Property Bearing Sas No. 962/2446/10, Pid No.10-504- 63, Situated At Ward No. 12, Housing Board Colony, H.d.kote, Mysore District, Measuring East To West 11.27 Meter And North To South 18.74 Meter In Total Measuring 211.40 (As Per Form-3(Rule 20), Town Municipal Council, H.D.Kote, Mysore District) And The Property Is Bounded on The; Bounded By : North: House Belongs To R.Ramaiah; South: House Belongs To R.P.Ramesh. East: Road West: Property Belongs To Basava Bhavana;	Rs. 50,10,162/- (As on March 17, 2026)	Rs. 45,50, 000/- Rs. 4,55, 000/-	April 06, 2026 From 11:00 AM To 02:00 PM	April 15, 2026 From 11:00 AM To 12:00 PM
2.	Muthukumara H T Mr. G Manju (Borrower) H P Thimmegowda (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. TBMYS00006262717 LBMYS00006283999	All That Piece And Parcel of Schedule Property Bearing Situated In Mandya District, Srirangapatna Taluk, Belonging To Belagola Village, Belagola Hobli, Area 2-13 Guntes, (Two Acres Thirteen Guntes) Land In Survey No. 44, Official Memo No. A.I.n.(2) Dated: 31-05-2014 From The Collector's Office, Mandya District. Having Basic Infrastructure As Per Form-9 & 11A, Belonging To Belagola Village. Property Id No.152100700700121392, Property No.G.Block Property No.521/SN 13, Plot No.13 Area East-West 12.00 Meters, North-South 9.00 Meters. Totally Measuring 108.00 Sq.meters Vacant Plot And Bounded On: Bounded By: North: Plot No.12, South: Plot No.14, East: Road West: Plot No.24,	Rs. 7,21,330/- (As on March 17, 2026)	Rs. 19,00, 000/- Rs. 1,90, 000/-	April 06, 2026 From 11:00 AM To 02:00 PM	April 15, 2026 From 11:00 AM To 12:00 PM

The online auction will be conducted on the website (https://assets.matexauctions.com).of our auction agency M/s Matex Technologies Limited. The Mortgagors/ Notices are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest by April 13, 2026, before 04:00 PM. else the secured asset(s) will be sold as per schedule.
The prospective bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 on or before April 13, 2026 before 05:00 PM Thereafter, they have to submit their offer through the website mentioned above on or beforeApril 13, 2026 before 05:00 PM along with the scanned image of the Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. In case the prospective bidder(s) is/ are unable to submit his/ her/ their offer through the website, then the signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 on or April 13, 2026 before 05:00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/ Scheduled Bank in favour of 'ICICI Bank Limited' payable at "Bangalore".
For any further clarifications in terms of inspection, Terms and Conditions of the E-Auction or submission of tenders, contact ICICI Bank Employee Phone No.7304918084.
Please note that Marketing Agency 1. M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited, 2. Augeo Assets Management Private Limited 3. Matex Net Pvt. Ltd. 4. Finvin Estate Deal Technologies Pvt Ltd 5. Girnarsoft Pvt Ltd 6. Hecta Prop Tech Pvt Ltd 7. Arca Emart Pvt Ltd 8. Novel Asset Service Pvt Ltd 9. Nobroker Technologies Solutions Pvt Ltd., have also been engaged for facilitating the sale of this property.
The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons.
For detailed Terms and Conditions of the sale, please visit www.icicibank.com/n4p4s

Date : March 24, 2026
Place: Bangalore & Mysore

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

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SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the Authorised Officer of HDFC Bank Limited (erstwhile HDFC Limited having amalgamated with **HDFC Bank Limited** by virtue of a Scheme of Amalgamation approved by Hon'ble NCLT-Mumbai vide order dated 17th March 2023) (HDFC), under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("said Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) to pay the amounts mentioned against their respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of the said Notice/s, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc till the date of payment and / or realization.

Sr. No	Name of Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s)	Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Description of The Property
1	Mr. Parasamani Sahu (Borrower)	Loan A/c Nos. 1) 690048802 Rs.96,412/- 2) 701321437 Rs.25,75,993/- Total Amount Rs.26,72,405/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Seventy Two Thousand Four Hundred and Five Only) as on 31.10.2025	01.12.2025	20.03.2026	**Schedule A : Item-1:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property bearing Converted Sy.No.3/1 {Converted Vide order No. ALN(ASH)SR 185/2014-15, dated. 12/03/2015} Situated at Narayanagatta Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, measuring 0-21 Guntas, with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on; **East by:** Property in Sy No.3/2; **West by:** Boundary of the Village Singena Agrahara; **North by**:Channal and CD Road; **South by**:Property of Item-2 herein; **Item-2:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property bearing Converted Sy.No.3/4 {Converted Vide order No. ALN(ASH)SR 185/2014-15, dated.12/03/2015} Situated at Narayanagatta Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, measuring 0-26 (Juntas including 2 Guntas Karabh, with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on; **East by :** Property to Sy.No.3/3; **West by :** Boundary of the Village Singena Agrahara; **North by :** Property of Item-1 hereto and Sy. No.3/1; **South by :** Village Road; **Schedule B: 43.16 Sq.m** Undivided right, title and interest to the immovable property mentioned to Schedule "A" above. **Schedule C:** Apartment bearing the Flat bearing No.1706/214, in the Second Floor at **"SRI TIRUMALA'S TRANQUIL RESIDENCY",** formed in converted sy.no 3/1 and 3/4, conversion order no. ALN.(ASH)SR; 185/2014-15, DT.12/03/2015 & ALN (ASH) SR:185/2014-15,DT12/03/2015 (PID.NO. 150200102100220483 land Katha and flat Katha A Katha number is 150200102100221736, situated at Narayanghatta Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Dist measuring 1080 Sq.ft, super built up area, along with 43.16 Sq.m of undivided share of land has been allocated to the share of Builder and **one car parking is allotted** and contains two bedroom, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase & lift, contained in the multistoried residential Building known as **"SRI TIRUMALA'S TRANQUIL RESIDENCY",** constructed over Schedule "A" Property.
2	Ms. Madhabika Bhattacharjee (Borrower)	Loan A/c Nos. 1) 629397159 Rs.31,74,326/- 2) 631447656 Rs.1,12,525/- Total Amount Rs.32,86,851/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Eighty Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty One Only) as on 31.05.2025	30.06.2025	20.03.2026	**Schedule A:** All that piece and parcel of the residential converted land bearing Sy. No-112/1, measuring 6469.54 Square meters, situated at Ittangur Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal taluk, Bangalore District (Converted as per Official Memorandum No-ALN(ASH) CR:71/2014-15 dated 21-02-2015 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) and bounded on; **East by :** Road and land bearing Sy No.111; **West by** : Remaining land bearing Sy No.112/1; **North by** : Land bearing Sy No.113/2, **South by** : Land bearing Sy No.109. **Schedule B: 347 Square Feet,** in an undivided state, in the land described in Schedule 'A' Property above, together with corresponding right, title, interest and ownership. **Schedule C:** Residential Apartment **No. 203,** (PID No.150200100100421039), in Second Floor having super built up area of **950 Square Feet** which consisting carpet area of 573 Square Feet inclusive of proportionate share of common area. All the floors, ceilings between apartments as also walls between adjoining apartments shall jointly belong to the adjoining owners equally with **one covered car parking space** in stilt Floor in the building known as **"SOWPARNIKA THARANGINI"** constructed over the Schedule 'A' Property and bounded on; **East by :** Flat No. 204; **West by** : Flat No. 202, **North by** : Open Space, **South by** : Corridor; The apartment constructed with RCC roofing, Vitrified Flooring, Main Door teak wood frame, other internal doors are flush doors, Aluminum windows.

*with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realization.
However, since the borrower/s mentioned hereinabove have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s mentioned hereinabove in particular and to the public in general that the Authorised Officer/s of HDFC have taken **symbolic** possession of the immovable property (ies) / secured asset(s) described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/them under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned above.
The borrower(s) mentioned hereinabove in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid Immovable Property(ies) / Secured Asset(s) and any dealings with the said Immovable Property (ies) / Secured Asset(s) will be subject to the mortgage of HDFC.
Borrower(s) attention is/are invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset/s.
Copies of the Panchanama drawn and Inventory made are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower requested to collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

Date : 24.03.2026
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorised Officer
HDFC Bank Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002

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2/3, Raja Building, N.R Road, Bengaluru -560 002.
E-mail : ubin0555991@unionbankofindia.bank, Contact No: 8369255990

APPENDIX-IV-A

[See Proviso to Rule 8(6) of Security Enforcement Rules, 2002]
Notice of 15 days for sale of immovable secured assets under Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

E-auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, read with the provision of Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) mentioned below that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru** concerned branches. Secured Creditor will be sold on **" As is where is", " As is what is " and " whatever there is"** basis, by Public E-Auction on **10.04.2026, 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM** for recovery of dues as mentioned below together with future interest and legal other expenses due to the bank/Secured Creditor from respective borrowers. The Reserve Price for Property, the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and Description of Property etc., are given below.

Sl. No.	Name and Address of the Borrower/Mortgagor/ Guarantor	Description of the Property	Amount Due	Reserve Price	EMD Amount
1.	**(1) M/s Bhavani Consultant & Construction,** No2, 1st cross, Opposite to Ganesha Temple, Hegganahalli, Bangalore – 560091. **(2) Mr. S Raghunath,** **(3) Mrs. Kanthamma Shamanna, Both are residing at:** No 48, 1st cross, Hegganahalli Main Road, Behind Ganesha Temple, Hegganahalli, Bangalore – 560091.	All that piece & parcel of the property bearing Khaneshwari No 18/267, New No 129/267 Heggannahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk now comes under BBMP limit ward No 71 Bangalore. Measuring East to West : 64 Feet and North to South : 25 Feet and Bounded on: On the North by: Thimanna Property, On the South by: Govindappa Property, On the East by: Road, On the West by: Hanumanthaiah Property.	**Rs. 1,15,08,182.19 (Rupees One Crore Fifteen Lakhs Eight Thousand One Hundred Eighty Two and Nineteen Paisa only) as on 28.02.2026**	**Rs. 1,20,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore and Twenty Lakhs Only)**	**Rs. 12,00,000/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Only)**
2.	**M/s Lucky Provision Stores, Prop: Mr. Hanumantha,** No. 58, HAL Post, Reddy Palya, Vibhuthipura, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore-East Taluk Bangalore 560017. Represented by its Proprietor: Mr Hanumantha	**Schedule of the Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing site no. 58 situated at Reddypalya, Vibhuthipura, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk Bangalore, now comes under BBMP limits, BBMP ward no. 87 Bangalore measuring East to West 47 feet , North to South 28 feet total measuring 1316 Sq ft along with ground, First, second and Third floor RCC roofed house constructed thereon, together with all the appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on as follows: East: Property of Venkatappa, West: property of Gangamma, North:Property of Annayyappa, South: Passage then Road.	**Rs. 9,95,703.46 (Rupees Nine Lakhs Ninety Five Thousand Seven Hundred Three and Forty Six Paisa only) as on 28.02.2026**	**Rs. 75,55,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five Lakhs Fifty Five Thousand only)**	**Rs. 7,55,500/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs Fifty Five Thousand Five Hundred only)**
3.	**(1) Sri Shivakumar K H** S/o Hombi Chikkaiah, No.5, 1st Main, Uttarahalli Main Road, Sarvabhouma Nagar, Chikkalasandra, Bangalore-560061. **(2) Smt. S Lakshmi,** W/o Shivakumar K H No.5, 1st Main , Uttarahalli Main Road, Sarvabhouma Nagar, Chikkalasandra, Bangalore -560 061.	**Property 1:** Schedule 'A' of the Property: All that piece and parcel of Site No. 89 and 90 bearing Khatha No. 89/2 and 90/2 both measuring East to West (105+115)/2 and North to South (75+95)/2, situated Doddabettahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently under the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike and bounded on: East by: Road, West by: Property of Sri Varun & thereafter water channel, North by: Panchayath Road, South by: Property belongs to Kalugunte Narayanappa. **Schedule 'B' Property:** 421.62 Square feet of undivided right, title and interest in the immovable Property and ownership in the Schedule 'A' Property. **Schedule 'C' Property:** Flat No. F-105 consists of Two bedrooms, situated on the 1st Floor, measuring 1150 Square Feet of Super Built-up area+50 Square Feet of common built-up, along with One Covered Car Parking space in the basement of the Residential Apartment known as "VRV ENCLAVE" constructed on Schedule 'A' Property, inclusive of proportionate share in common area such as passage, lobbies , staircase , lift, terrace, set-back area and other areas of common use, Mosaic/Vitrified Tiles flooring, doors and windows are made of ordinary wood having amenities like Electricity, Water and Sanitary, etc. (The said Flat has Vitrified Flooring, RCC Roof, Brick Walls, Honne Mathi Flush Doors and Aluminium Glazed Windows)	**Rs. 1,03,26,855.21 (Rupees One Crore Three Lakhs Twenty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Five and Twenty One Paisa only) as on 28.02.2026**	**Rs. 27,80,000/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Eighty Thousand only)**	**Rs. 2,78,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Seventy Eight Thousand only)**
4.	**(1) M/s STEP UP 46 Prop: Mr. Uma Shankar Deekshith** No.472/6, 1st Cross, 17th Main, 80 Feet Road, AVS Compound, 4th Block, Koramangala, Bangalore-560034 **(2) Mr.M Uma Shankar Deekshith** S/o M Ramababu Reddy, Flat No.124, Embassy Meadows, S T Bed Layout, Koramangala, Bangalore-560034.	Residential Vacant Plot situated at site no. 246, Vishwapriya Greeneries BMP Khatha No. 1335/246, Begur Village and Hobli Bangalore, admeasuring Approximately 6300 Sft, Bounded by North : Road, South : Site No. 249, East: Site No. 245, West: Site No. 247 . (Property belonging to M. Uma Shankar Deekshith).	**Rs. 3,32,17,092.36 (Rupees Three Crores Thirty Two Lakhs Seventeen Thousand Ninety Two and Thirty Six Paisa only) as on 28.02.2026**	**Rs. 1,89,54,000/- (Rupees One Crore Eighty-Nine Lakhs and Fifty Four Thousand only)**	**Rs. 18,95,400/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Ninety Five Thousand and Four Hundred only)**
5.	**(1) Mr. Deepak K,** Flat No S-12, Prabhavathi Lotus, Lake City Layout, Kodichikkanahalli, Billkahalli, BG Road, Bangalore- 560076. **(2) Mrs. Swathynath Loganathan** W/o Deepak K, Flat No S-12, Prabhavathi Lotus, Lake City Layout, Kodichikkanahalli, Billkahalli, BG Road, Bangalore- 560076.	**Schedule of the 'A' Property(entire property):** All that piece and parcel of a portion of land bearing Sy No. 192 measuring 32,670 sq. feet (0-30 guntas) (vide conversion certificate bearing no. ALN(SB)SR/131/10-11 dated 18.02.2011 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore out of 0-39 guntas of converted lamd and total extent of the land being 2 acres 34 guntas) situated at Begur Village, Begur-Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and bounded by: East : Remaining portion of same land bearing Sy no. 192, West By : Boundary/Border Line of Hongasandra, North By : Road and remaining portion of same land bearing Sy. No. 192, South By : Halla and land bearing Sy. No. 236. **Schedule of the 'B' Property(Property for Sale):** All that piece and parcel of the Flat no. A-409 on FOURTH FLOOR having super built up area of 970 sq. feet with an undivided 87 sq. feet of share, right, title and interest in the land One hall, Kitchen, Two bedrooms with one car parking in the Stilt floor, being the part of the apartment building known as 'PRABHAVATHI BLISS' BLOCK A being constructed on the Schedule 'A' property with RCC framed structure, concrete block masonry, main door teak frame and Steam Breach Veneered flush shutter and room doors sal wood with water proof flush shutters, powder coated aluminum windows with glass & safely grills, ceramic flowing etc and bounded by: East by: Corridor, West By: Private property, North By: Flat no A-410, South By: Corridor.	**Rs. 48,82,943.25 (Rupees Forty Eight Lakhs Eighty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Three and Twenty Five Paisa only) as on 28.02.2026**	**Rs. 26,94,000 (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Ninety Four Thousand only)**	**Rs. 2,69,400 (Rupees Two Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand Four Hundred only)**
6.	**(1) Mr. Mahesha S M** S/o Malali Gowda, No.40, DC Nilaya, 1st Floor, 1st Cross, oad, 2nd Main, Kalyananagar, T Dasarahalli, Bangalore -560057. **Also at : Mahesha S M,** 139, 7th Main, 8th Cross, Somanna Building, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Bangalore. **(2) Mrs. Geetha H N** W/o Mr Mahesha S M, No.40, DC Nilaya, 1st Floor, 1st Cross Road, 2nd Main, Kalyananagar, T Dasarahalli, Bangalore -560057	**Schedule 'A' Property :** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing New Sy. No.223 (Old Sy. No. 173) of the converted land to an total extent of 2 acres, Vide Conversion Order No. ALN (A) (A) SR/107/2010-11 dated 17.03.2010, situated at Indlabele Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on the East by : Sarjapura Main Road, West by : Sy. No. 173, North by : Sy. No. 180 & 181, South by : Sai Layout. **Schedule 'B' Property :** 507 Sq feet of undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property **Schedule 'C' Property :** A Two bedroom apartment bearing No. A-213, of A Block, now bearing Bidaraguppe Grampanchayath e-Katha No. 150200100200320789, Flat No. 248/A-213, on the Second Floor of the Building known as "SIGMA SERENITY", constructed in the schedule 'A' property, having a super built up area of 1375 square feet (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common areas and a share in the club house area) together with one covered car parking space in the basement.	**Rs. 67,85,376.48 (Rupees Sixty Seven Lakhs Eighty Five Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Six and Forty Eight Paisa only) as on 28.02.2026**	**Rs. 41,00,000 (Rupees Forty One Lakhs only)**	**Rs. 4,10,000 (Four Lakhs Ten Thousand only)**
7.	**(1) Mrs. Shobha G,** W/o Mr. Shashidhara Y D, **(2) Shashidhara Y D,** S/o Y L Doddanarasaiah, **Both are residing at:** No.164, 2nd Cross, Pilikamma Nagar, Chikkajala, Bangalore -560085.	**Schedule 'A' Property :** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing New Sy. No.223 (Old Sy. No. 173) of the converted land to an total extent of 2 acres, Vide Conversion Order No. ALN (A) (A) SR/107/2010-11 dated 17.03.2010, situated at Indlabele Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on the : East by : Sarjapura Main Road, West by : Sy. No. 173, North by : Sy. No. 180 & 181, South by : Sai Layout. **Schedule 'B' Property :** 372 Sq feet of undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property **Schedule 'C' Property :** A Two bedroom apartment bearing No. A-119 of A Block, now bearing Bidaraguppe Grampanchayath e-Katha No. 150200100200320722, Flat No. 248/A-119, on the First Floor of the Building known as "SIGMA SERENITY", constructed in the schedule 'A' property, having a super built up area of 1007 square feet (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common areas and a share in the club house area) together with one covered car parking space in the basement.	**Rs. 50,02,063.84 (Rupees Fifty Lakhs Two Thousand Sixty Three and Eighty Four Paisa only) as on 28.02.2026**	**Rs. 35,70,000/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Seventy Thousand only)**	**Rs. 3,57,000/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand only)**
8.	**(1) M/s Sri Neo Sharp Engineering Technologies Prop: Ms. Padma K. Bhat,** 204/5, 1st Cross, Muthachari Industrial Estate Pantharapalya, Mysore Road, Bengaluru-560039. **(2) Ms.Padma K. Bhat,** # 488, 4th Cross R R Layout, Nagadevanahalli Jnanabharati Post, Bangalore-560056 **(Proprietor).** **(3) Ms. Anisa Noor** W/o Mr. Noor Mohammed, No.96, 7th Cross Pottery Layout , Williams Town, Bangalore-560046 **(Guarantor).**	**Property No. 1 :** Property No.12, Khatha No.40/1 Present Muncipal No.6066/40/1/12 Nagadevanahalli village,Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore-56, Measuring East to West 80 Feet, North to South 60 Ft, Property owned by Padma K Bhat, Bounded on by : East : By Road, West By : Private Property, North By : Property No. 11, South By : Remaining portion of property of Sri Katappa. **Property No.2 :** Property No.13, Khatha No.40/1 Present Muncipal No.2544/6065/40/1/13 R R Layout, 4th Cross, Nagadevanahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore-56, Property owned by Padma K Bhat, measuring East to West 80 Ft North to South 50 Ft, Bounded on by : East By : Road, West By : Private Property, North By : Property No. 12, South By : Remaining Property of Sri Katappa.	**Rs. 18,97,94,991.99 (Rupees Eighteen Crores Ninety Seven Lakhs Ninety Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety One and Ninety Nine Paisa only) as on 28.02.2026**	**Property No.1 Rs. 1,71,36,000/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy One Lakhs Thirty Six Thousand only)** **Property No.2 Rs. 1,42,80,000/- (Rupees One Crore Forty Two Lakhs Eighty Thousand only)**	**Property No.1 Rs. 17,13,600/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Thirteen Thousand Six Hundred only)** **Property No.2 Rs. 14,28,000/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Twenty Eight Thousand only)**

The above said properties will be sold by "Online". Online E-Auction will be held through web portal/website **https://baanknet.com** on the date and time mentioned above with unlimited extension of 10 minutes. The intending bidders / purchasers required to register through **https://baanknet.com (Buyer Registration – link provided in the home page of the website)** by using their mobile number and valid email:id. They are further required to upload KYC documents and Bank Details. The intended bidder may contact the **Branch Manager of Union Bank of India. Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru Contact No. 8369255990** for inspection of property and also visit the above mentioned website for ascertaining the details of auction.

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ROLE OF UNDP

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) pledged to continue its support of Bhutan's transition to democracy as voters went to the polls in historic elections

ABSOLUTE MONARCHY

Until the 1950s, Bhutan was an absolute monarchy. During the second half of the 20th century, the monarchs divested themselves of their power

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The first generation of Bhutanese professionals were educated in India. Major projects opened up horizons for land-locked Bhutan

Back to the depths of Wuthering Heights

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WHITE CANVAS, FILLING FAST!

With cafes, theatres, public art and events, Whitefield has been drawing people and quickly evolving into a new cultural hub

SRUTHI HEMACHANDRAN

FROM being a distant IT suburb to a bustling urban neighbourhood, Whitefield has come a long way from the small corner in Bengaluru that it once was. Residential complexes, workplaces and lifestyle hubs have transformed the region into a live-work-play environment. "People would ask, 'You live in Whitefield, and you come all the way here and go back again in the evening?'," says Jagdish Raja, co-founder of Jagriti Theatre, recalling how isolated the area once felt.

Looking back, he remembers a very different kind of social life that once drew people into the neighbourhood. Reminiscing about the days when people would rush to the 1905-established The Whitefield Club to ring in the New Year, he says, "The New Year's Eve party in town would pack up at about 11 or 11.15pm, so they would come here to the Whitefield Club afterwards. There was a vibrant Anglo-Indian community then; many of them have now passed on or emigrated to other countries," he shares.

Even so, newer platforms are slowly building a cultural rhythm in the area, bringing art into more public, everyday spaces. In recent months, large-format events such as Comic Con and experimental festivals like The Sixth Sense have drawn crowds into Whitefield, adding to a growing calendar of activities that bring people into the neighbourhood. Sumi Gupta, curator of the currently underway Whitefield Art Collective festival, says, "When it began in 2016, it introduced a cultural layer to a part of the city that had limited access to large-scale public art initiatives. Over the past decade, as Whitefield has become more socially and culturally active, the festival now engages over 2.5 million visitors."

This transformation is evident beyond art spaces too. Priyesh Busetty, co-founder of Yuki, shares, "Whitefield has developed into a lifestyle and dining destination. There is a noticeable shift towards experimental dining with guests seeking thoughtfully designed spaces and a more social dining culture." Footfall, he says, has been encouraging, with a steady flow through the day and a noticeable buzz building in the evenings, especially over weekends.

Weekends revolve around stepping out and exploring what the neighbourhood offers. What was once largely open land has steadily given way to apartment blocks and paying guest accommodations, bringing in a floating population that keeps the area buzzing. Divya Prabhu, a Hopefarm resident, says, "My kids are always excited to explore new cafes and try different places, because we have access to a lot of them in the area. Earlier, we would have to take a cab and go all the way into the city because there wasn't much to do here. Sometimes, you just wouldn't go because it felt too far. Whitefield is no longer a place where you just live; it's where you spend time," she adds, sharing how events across the area are bringing the energy back in waves.

Even as the skyline has filled up, some say that the cultural layer is still catching up. Pointing to a gap between rapid urban expansion and cultural depth, Raja says, "The neighbourhood has grown tremendously. We arrived in the early 1970s, and the population of Bengaluru was around four million; now its 14-15. Most are in the IT industry. But, I'm sorry to say, not many are great contributors to the cultural fabric of their community," Raja opines.

SANTOOR SYMPHONY

Santoor maestro Rahul Shivkumar Sharma had Bengaluru audiences lose themselves in the melodies of a 35-chamber orchestra concert over the weekend, conducted by Czech conductor Samuel Tamarit Otero | VINOD KUMAR T

Whitefield has developed into a lifestyle and dining destination. There is a noticeable shift towards experimental dining ... and a more social dining culture

Priyesh Busetty, co-founder of Yuki

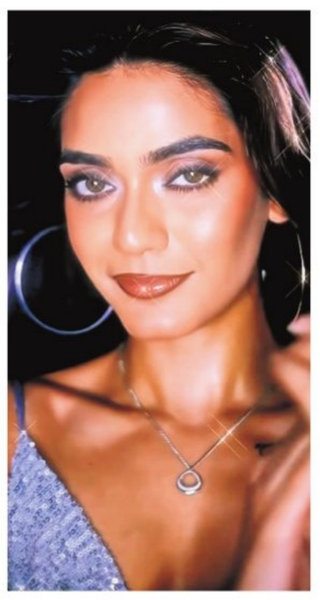
With the 'bebot' makeup trend going viral online, B'luru's makeup artists break it down, tracing it to 2000s and 1980s makeup looks

A Bold Glamback

MAHIMA NAGARAJU

FOR the last few weeks, beauty enthusiasts on social media have been lip-syncing to *Bebot* (2005) by The Black Eyed Peas, showcasing looks far removed from the 'clean girl' aesthetic that's dominated our screens and our real-life makeup collections for years. Bold, sultry and full of attitude, the trend, as makeup artist Nehaa Anand explains, "Is inspired from Filipino party glam from the 2000s and all about recreating nostalgia. It brings back the maximalism, glittery smokey eyes, defined brown lips, glossy pouts, hazel brown eyes and big blown out hair," pointing to Kareena Kapoor's Poo in *Kabhi Khushi Kabhi Gham* as a desi 'bebot' in spirit.

Started by Filipino and other Southeast Asian makeup enthusiasts recreating their mothers' old looks, the trend quickly found takers in India. A few key features are essential to getting the look right, but Indians have an advantage, says makeup artist Prthika Kumaran, "The most important feature is that it's a very matte, there's nothing natural about it. The eyebrows, too, are drastically different – to recreate it accurately, you must go for thinner eyebrows than people prefer today. Although, because Filipinos are Southeast Asian, many Indian skin tones are similar, there's not much that needs to be adapted (in terms of colours)." She suggests using loose powder or a compact to mattify dewy products.



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To accurately recreate the look, you need to remember that the Bebot was donning her big hoop earrings and high heels for a night out at a time when makeup techniques were not as elaborate or widely known as they are today. Makeup artist Rashida Pavthiwala says, "People would just dab on grey, silver and blue on their eyes, there was no cut crease or blending. Before the 2000s, this look was popular in the 1980s too, with gunpowder metallic shades adding a shine to the eyes and the focus being on rebelling, breaking free and expressing yourself."

Choosing high contrast colours is sure to elevate the look too, as Pavthiwala adds, "You could go for blue or pink with silver and no blending; combined with a completely contrasting, glossy colour on the lip. A big contrast to the matte skin." Kumaran echoes this while also suggesting a 'sharp winged liner and cool-toned brown lip liner with glossy or glitter lips and some nice hoops as earrings'.

As people play around with this look online, the potential shift in trend away from subtle looks is up for a debate. "I've seen trends come and go in the last decade, so this seems like one of those, especially in the Indian market," comments Anand. However, Kumaran and Pavthiwala are more optimistic, as the former notes, "Dewy is still the norm, but I do see a lot of people going back to the heavy glam makeup," while the latter adds, "Trends are cyclical, and we always get bored. It will come to a point when we get bored with minimal makeup, and bronzers and contours will no longer soften our look, but give a sharp-snatched look. We're starting to see that shift with editorial looks like Alia Bhatt's recent one with pink, blue and purple colours all together."

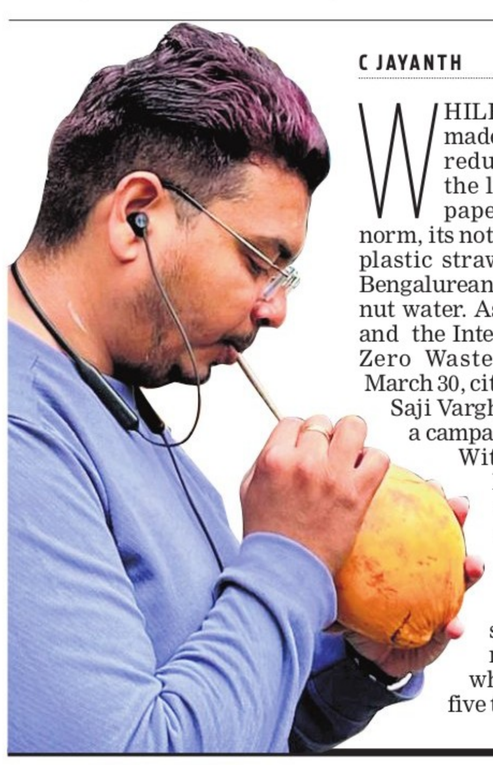
CITY READS

Programme celebrates women's contributions with walkathon and panel discussion

The Soundarya Institute of Management and Science marked International Women's Day recently with the programme 'Give to Gain: Women Leaders Shaping Health, Education, Business and Social Progress,' held at Sir Ratan Tata Hall at Soundarya College. Over 500 students and faculty took part in a 4km walkathon promoting women's empowerment. The event was organised by the SPARSH Women's Empowerment Cell in association with Soundarya College of Law and Fortis Healthcare. A panel of speakers from journalism, law enforcement, entrepreneurship, academia and healthcare shared their insights on the role of women leaders in driving social change, innovation and community development. Keerthan Kumar, CEO of Soundarya Educational Trust, emphasised that institutions should actively collaborate with women professionals from diverse industries.

Bakery chain launches handcafted ice-cream menu

Magnolia Bakery is set to bring its handcrafted ice creams to outlets across India as summer begins. Leading the menu are indulgent sundaes and loaded jars like The Chocolate Lover's Sundae, Chocolate Lover's Loaded Jar, Roasted Strawberry Loaded Jar, Roasted Strawberry Sundae and Ruby Chocolate Loaded Jar. Classic flavours like Vanilla, Chocolate Pistachio, Salted Caramel, and Fruit and Nut are also available alongside the Banana Pudding Ice Cream – the bakery's iconic dessert in a new format. Priced from ₹180 onwards.



C JAYANTH

Ahead of International Zero Waste Day, this professor is on a mission to make Bengaluru sip through sustainable straws

Sustainable Sips

WHILE Bengaluru has made a valiant effort to reduce plastic use in the last few years and paper straws are the norm, its not uncommon to see plastic straws being the way Bengalureans enjoy their coconut water. As summer begins, and the International Day for Zero Waste approaches on March 30, city-based professor, Saji Vargheese is launching a campaign to change this. With the 'Trap the Plastic Straw', he aims to help coconut vendors and juice shops stop using plastic straws and switch to his coconut leaf ones, which can be used five times before being discarded. "Though used only for minutes, plastic straws can persist in the environment for hundreds of years. Bengaluru uses roughly 2.5 million straws per day. We'll be placing these straws with coconut vendors and juice shops, intially free of cost. We are not only replacing plastic; we are also collecting what still exists in the system so it does not reach landfills or water bodies," explains Vargheese. A pilot of the campaign has already begun in JP Nagar, Bengaluru, with around 15 vendors participating in the first phase.

Varghese, a social entrepreneur, creates these coconut leaf straws with his startup 'Sunbird Straws'. "It started with a very simple thought. I saw fallen coconut leaves and asked myself why we were not using this waste," he says, adding, "Unlike paper straws, which tend to lose strength quickly, coconut leaf straws remain firm in liquids due to the natural epicuticular wax present in the leaf which helps prevent dehydration. A steaming process brings out this natural wax and makes the straw antifungal and hydrophobic. That is the best part of this innovation," he explains.

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Saji Vargheese, professor and social entrepreneur

What began as a campus observation has now grown into a production system that transforms these dried leaves, often discarded or burnt into straws. These are collected from rural areas in Kerala, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu, cleaned, processed, and shaped using specially-developed machines. The production system follows a hub-and-spoke model, with rural villages acting as collection and processing centres and nearby hubs handling final production and packaging. This structure has also created local employment, especially for rural women. "No one has to travel more than 15 minutes for work. That was a key decision for us," he says. Finally, the straws are sent to Bengaluru for quality checking, packing, and distribution to hotels and cafés. They are now used in over 105 hotels in Bengaluru alone, including all Taj Hotel branches in the country. Some go to states like Gujarat, Goa and Delhi while small quantities are also exported to countries like the Netherlands and Spain.

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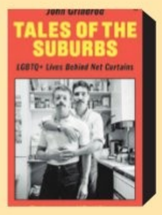
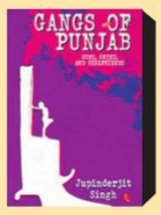


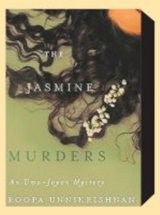
Tales Of The Suburbs
By John Grindrod

A fantastically entertaining alternative history of queer life in Britain, which departs from the usual tales of city-based freedom and discovery to tell the stories of people who grew up in the suburbs.



Gangs Of Punjab
By Jupinderjit Singh

A story of a ruthless underworld, tracing the rise of men who blur the line between outlaw and icon. Their rise comes at a deadly price, leaving behind a trail of bodies; but their fall is as dramatic and often fatal, sometimes at the hands of close confidantes.



The Jasmine Murders: An Uma-Jayan Mystery
By Roopa Unnikrishnan

When Uma moves to Manamadurai, a dismal backwater town, with her husband, Jayan, who has been posted there as the police chief, she is immediately uneasy.

Rebel English Academy
By Mohammed Hanif

When a major Pakistani political figure is hanged, OK Town erupts in protest. A few miles away, Sir Baghi is surprised by a knock at the door of the Rebel English Academy, his tuition centre that offers affordable English lessons.

SOJOURN INTO SYMMETRY

Artists point out the delicate patterns of a mandala artwork displayed at an ongoing group exhibition, 'Beyond Circles', at Venkatappa Art Gallery | **VINOD KUMAR T**

QUICKFIX

ROSE MILK ICED COFFEE LATTE

INGREDIENTS

- **Rose milk essence:** a few drops
- **Ice cubes:** as needed
- **Milk froth:** for topping
- **Chilled milk:** ¾ glass
- **Strong iced coffee:** as needed
- **Dried rose petals:** optional garnish

METHOD

- Add a few drops of rose milk essence to a glass.
- Pour in chilled milk until the glass is about ¾ full and mix well. Add ice cubes.
- Slowly pour the strong iced coffee on top to create layers.
- Finish with milk froth and garnish with dried rose petals if desired.

Contributed by **Gomathi Karthisen,** Chennai

NOWSTREAMING

REGIONAL

CHIRAIYA (Hindi, series)

The series centers on Kamlesh who challenges societal norms and her family to fight for a woman's right to consent within marriage.

Cast: Divya Dutta, Sanjay Mishra, Sarita Joshi

- **Watch on:** JioHotstar

FOREIGN

WICKED-FOR GOOD (English)

Now demonised as the Wicked Witch of the West, Elphaba lives in exile in the Ozian forest, while Glinda resides at the palace in Emerald City, revelling in the perks of fame and popularity. As an angry mob rises against the Wicked Witch, she'll need to reunite with Glinda to transform herself, and all of Oz, for good.

Cast: Ariana Grande, Cynthia Erivo, Jonathan Bailey

- **Watch on:** JioHotstar

IMPERFECT WOMEN (English, series)

After a murder shatters the lives of three friends, their decades-long bond is tested when an investigation reveals shocking truths.

Cast: Elisabeth Moss, Kerry Washington, Kate Mara

- **Watch on:** Apple TV+

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HERE IS HOW COLOURFUL PLATES CAN IMPROVE YOUR NUTRITION

Eating healthy does not have to be complicated. One simple way to improve your diet is to look at your plate. If your meal has more colours, it usually means better nutrition. A colourful plate often includes a variety of fruits and vegetables, each offering different nutrients your body needs.

WHY COLOUR MATTERS:

Different colours in food represent different vitamins and compounds. Each one supports your body in a unique way.

- Red coloured food items support heart health
- Orange and yellow help with immunity and eye health
- Green vegetables support bones and overall health
- Blue and purple colour food items act as antioxidants
- And white help boost immunity

Eating a mix of these ensures your body gets a wide range of nutrients.

BETTER FOOD CHOICES AND APPETITE:

Colourful meals are more appealing. When food looks fresh and vibrant, you are more likely to enjoy it, and make healthier choices. It also reduces boredom with meals and helps you stay consistent with healthy eating habits.

HELPS WITH WEIGHT MANAGEMENT:

Most colourful foods like fruits and vegetables are high in fibre and water. They keep you full for longer and reduce cravings. This makes it easier to manage portion sizes and avoid overeating.

EASY WAYS TO ADD COLOUR:

Make small changes to your meals:

- Add spinach or carrots
- Include a mix of fruits as snacks
- Use colourful ingredients like beetroot, peppers or cabbage
- Add fresh herbs for extra flavour and nutrition

These simple steps improve both taste and nutrition.

IMPACT ON MOOD AND HEALTH:

A diet with colourful foods supports not just physical health but also mental well-being. Nutrients from these foods help improve mood, focus and energy levels.

Strict diets are not needed to eat well. Aim to add more colour to your plate. It is an easy way to improve nutrition, support your health and make meals more enjoyable.

By Madhura P Behki, nutrition expert, cult — a fitness and wellness platform

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Bites and Laughter

Kickstart your day with laughter and fresh bites while stand-up comedians deliver sharp wit and relatable humour. A perfect mix of food and fun, this lively afternoon promises good vibes, great company and plenty of laughs.

WHEN: March 24, 2pm **WHERE:** The Comedy Theatre, Church Street **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Reality Unfolds

Immerse yourself in this whodunnit theatre play, *Who Killed Agatha?*, directed by Pawan Sharma, where the audience becomes co-investigators in solving the murder of Agatha, a young entrepreneur found during a night out. Unfold twists and conspiracies, with viewers actively questioning characters to uncover the killer.

WHEN: March 25, 7.25pm
WHERE: Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Stitch Stories

Join a two-hour punch needle embroidery workshop guided by an expert. Explore techniques, thread selection and fabric choices to create textured designs. No prior experience is needed, and all materials will be provided at the venue.

WHEN: March 24, 11am onwards
WHERE: Storyzone, HSR Layout
CALL: 73491 51504

Aqua Fun

Dive into the aquatic wonder to watch sharks, colorful fish and live mermaid shows. With interactive displays and immersive experiences, it is curated for anyone who loves marine life.

WHEN: March 24, 10.30am
WHERE: Aquarium Paradise, Jayamahal Main Road Nagar **DETAILS:** district.in

Cultural Evening

Step into an evening of timeless Indian classical art at the seventh edition of the Articulate Festival, celebrating rich cultural traditions. The evening features Padma Bhushan R Ganesh as the Guest of Honour. Highlights include *Sakha*, a Bharatanatyam performance by Praveen Kumar, and *Vajragovinda Dasavatara*, a Sanskrit theatre presentation by Piyal Bhattacharya and Chidakash Kalalay artists.

WHEN: March 28, 6pm **WHERE:** ADA Rangamandira, Kalasipalya **CALL:** 9903813988

Frame Yourself

Step into the spotlight and capture your best moments at this professional photoshoot experience. Designed to make you feel comfortable, the session offers guided poses, natural settings, and personalised themes. Walk away with stunning pictures perfect for social media, profiles or memories, all in a fun and relaxed atmosphere.

WHEN: March 24, 12.30pm
WHERE: Marcopolo Cafe, Koramangla
CALL: 96083 10344

Royal Flavours

Experience the art of tandoor and dum cooking by **Chef Ashiq**, *MasterChef* winner. Enjoy flavours inspired by Awadhi, Mughlai and Delhi cuisine, featuring smoky kebabs, charcoal-grilled dishes and dum biryani.

WHEN: March 24, 12pm
WHERE: Ishaara, Residency Road
DETAILS: district.in

EXPRESS CONNECT

HAVE A RECIPE OR ART WORK TO SHARE, OR A QUESTION TO ASK?

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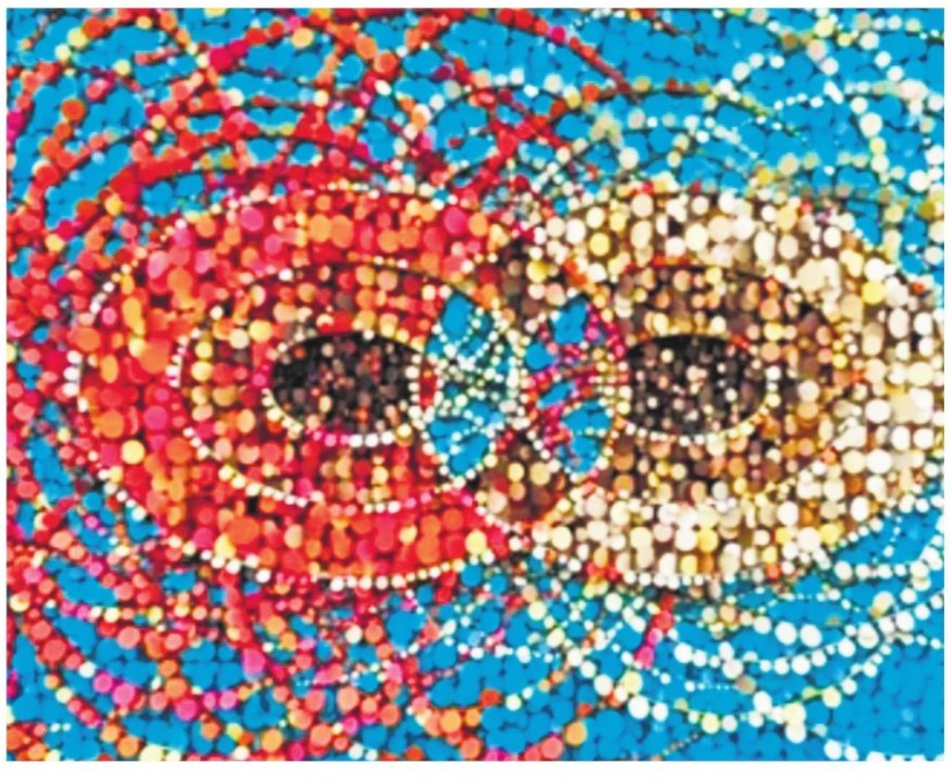


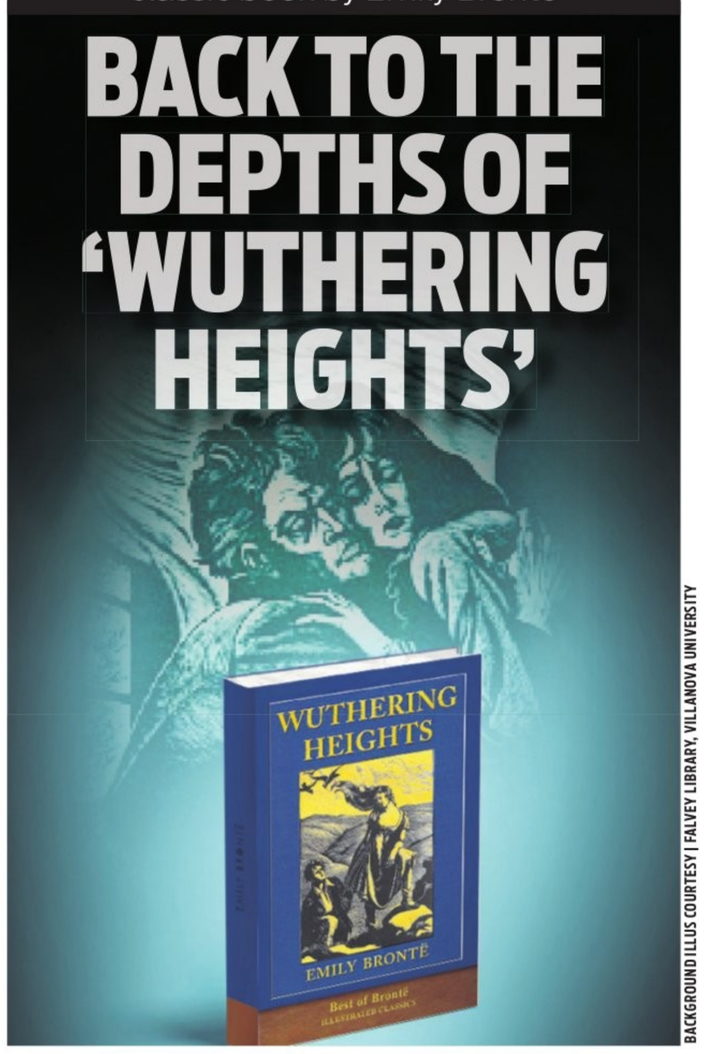
MODIFIED CONTINUITY

Artist Saravanan Parasuraman infuses his work with layered meaning, offering reflections on culture, memory and the quiet wisdom of countryside living

KRISHNA P S

Even as the recent film *Wuthering Heights* has been panned by many as a 'shoddy' adaptation, it has sparked conversations on the original cult classic book by Emily Bronte

BACK TO THE DEPTHS OF 'WUTHERING HEIGHTS'



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"BE with me always – take any form – drive me mad. Only do not leave me in this abyss, where I cannot find you! Oh, God! It is unutterable! I cannot live without my life! I cannot live without my soul."

A broken soul's cry after his beloved's death. This is what it might have been in anyone else's ink. But under Emily Jane Bronte's pen, this desperate plea becomes something darker: it is an all-consuming obsession that destroys everything in its path. When the famous anti-hero, or in literary terms a Byronic hero, Heathcliff rages after Catherine Earnshaw's (Cathy) untimely death at the age of 19, he is filled with vengeance and pride tinged with love.

When Bronte published the novel under the pseudonym Ellis Bell in 1847, *Wuthering Heights* received scathing reviews. The dark, brooding characters and haunted walls were familiar Gothic elements and readers had not encountered such deeply imperfect protagonists before. The brutality unleashed, the doomed love story driven by revenge, possession and obsession – all of these made readers uncomfortable. Those were times of intense moral scrutiny. That may well be what set this Bronte sister apart. Though *Wuthering Heights* was her only published novel, she continues to live on among readers today.

Recently, a cinematic 'adaptation' of the book was released in theatres. Many felt it did injustice to the original cult classic. However, the film has renewed discussions about the book that has inspired several adaptations across the world, including Bollywood.

For Aathira Suresh, a physics student and film buff, the latest film by Emerald Fennell may be imperfect, but has spurred conversations about the shades of Bronte's characters. "I read *Wuthering Heights* a year ago. At a time when characters were usually black and white, she offered something raw. That people could be grey, love is not always pure. And though many nowadays call it a romance, it was actually about obsession and revenge, the often unexplored side of love," she says. Notably, Bronte wrote at a time when women were often treated as little more than possessions.

Cathy herself is an unlikeable character, full of flaws and feelings. "Selfish, in love, and brimming with desire. Well, both were obsessed, weren't they?" Suresh smiles. The story unfolds non-linearly and follows two families through the eyes of two outsiders: Ellen 'Nelly' Dean and Mr Lockwood – unreliable narrators. One is a long-serving housekeeper who witnessed the lives of both families, the Earnshaws of Wuthering Heights and the Lintons of Thrushcross Grange. The other is a tenant renting one of the houses.

Posters of Emily Bronte's *Wuthering Heights* (1992) & *Dil Diya Dard Diya* (1966)

"This approach makes the story intriguing. Readers do not see much direct interaction between Cathy and Heathcliff," says Archana Gopakumar, founder, The Reading Room in Thiruvananthapuram. The often-projected image of the gentry is also questioned here. Nelly, the housekeeper, becomes the one narrating their turbulent lives. "However, beyond a study of characters, their motives and breaking moments, *Wuthering Heights* is an atmospheric horror," she says, adding, "The satire shines through when the families interact, while the horror unfolds through a toxic love story."

Still from *Arashi Ga Oka* (1988)

Many readers believe *Wuthering Heights* is a feminist telling. A devastating critique of how patriarchy affects both men and women – Heathcliff's childhood abuse, Cathy's experiences and the fate of Isabella Linton (Heathcliff's wife), who runs away from an abusive marriage with her child. "It is an unapologetic, raw, wild story that examines patriarchy without any reservation," says Gopakumar.

This is perhaps what keeps the novel relevant even today. Tania Mary Vivera, associate professor of English literature believes the book's enduring relevance is reflected in the many adaptations it has inspired. She highlights an important aspect: Heathcliff's origins, stating, "He is a foundling whose identity cannot be fully established. He has been portrayed variously as white, wheatish and black in different film versions, none of which satisfied audiences."

Though tragedy lingers, Vivera adds, the book ends on a hopeful note. She hopes future readers and the current generation – who will 'undoubtedly' fall under the Gothic spell woven by Bronte – will carry that hope after they turn the last page.

THEGREENMANUAL

WHY CITIES NEED MORE TREES, NOT JUST PARKS

All about growing trees with architecture for a greener tomorrow

WALK through most Indian cities today and the pattern becomes obvious: buildings are rising faster than trees. Urban planning discussions often focus on parks, but the real opportunity lies in integrating plants across everyday spaces.

From a landscape perspective, trees and plants are not merely decorative, they regulate temperature, reduce dust, create microclimates and more. A single mature tree can reduce surrounding surface temperatures by several degrees. In hospitality spaces, shade trees often determine whether a space remains comfortable during summer.

Trees that work well in Indian cities

One of the most dependable landscape trees in India is Polyalthia longifolia (Ashoka or False Ashoka). Its narrow, upright growth habit makes it ideal for boundary planting where space is limited. It performs well across tropical regions of India, including Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and parts of North India. Another is Cassia fistula (amaltas/golden shower tree). During late spring and early summer, its bright yellow flowers transform streets and campuses into vibrant corridors. Amaltas thrives particularly well in North and Central India where it benefits from strong summer sunlight before the monsoon.

For warmer coastal climates such as Goa, Kerala and coastal Karnataka, Plumeria (champa) is a reliable ornamental tree. Its sculptural branches and fragrant flowers make it a favourite around resort pathways and restaurant courtyards. It prefers full sunlight and well-drained soil, and it tolerates dry conditions once established.

Understanding microclimates in landscapes

In many landscape projects, plant survival depends more on the microclimate created around it. For example, a restaurant terrace in Bengaluru may experience intense afternoon sun and reflective heat from surrounding buildings. In such conditions, shade trees like Terminalia mantaly (Madagascar almond) or Peltophorum pterocarpum (copperpod) help create filtered shade that allows smaller understory plants to thrive. Under these trees, hardy foliage plants such as Philodendron selloum, Aglaonema, and areca palm (Dypsis lutescens) can create layered greenery that feels lush without requiring excessive maintenance.

Seasonal considerations for Indian landscapes

Seasonality plays a major role in plant selection. In North India, where winters can drop below 10°C, tropical plants may struggle outdoors and winter-tolerant species like bougainvillea and ficus benjamina perform reliably. In southern tropical climates such as Chennai, Kochi and Hyderabad, plants can grow year-round but must withstand intense summer heat. Succulent species like aloe vera and agave are particularly useful in exposed landscapes because they require minimal watering and tolerate high temperatures.

Significant plant care principles

- **Sunlight:** Most flowering plants such as Bougainvillea, Hibiscus and Plumeria require at least 4-6 hours of direct sunlight.
- **Water:** Deep but infrequent watering encourages stronger root systems.
- **Soil:** Well-draining soil enriched with compost supports healthy root growth.

Landscapes as urban infrastructure

Cities that integrate plants thoughtfully into everyday architecture experience a dramatic difference in livability. Courtyards feel cooler, streets become more inviting and outdoor spaces remain usable for longer parts of the year.

In the longrun, the most successful urban environments are those where architecture and nature grow together.

Ekta Chaudhary
An author, and founder of Garden Up, a company dedicated to greenifying spaces

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I, **SOWMYA SURESH** W/o Harsha Nagaraj R/o No. 33, Ground Floor 1st Cross, Mico Layout, Maruti Nagar, Mahalakshmipuram Bengaluru – 560086, have permanently changed my name from **SOWMYA SURESH** to **SOWMYA HARSHA** vide affidavit dated 23/03/2026 sworn before notary L. Puttaraju, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KOKILA @ SHYLA** D/o Late Narayanappa, Aged about 47 years, R/a. No 106/2, New Binnamangala, Indiranagar 1st Stage, Bengaluru - 560038, Mob: 7022306449. I state that my birth name is **KOKILA** and I also know and called as **SHYLA**, I further state that the names **KOKILA** and **SHYLA** are the one and the same and it's me only, vide affidavit dated 24.03.2026 sworn to before S. Samuel Solomon Advocate & Notary Public Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
We, (1) Sri.Manjunath (Father), Aged about 37 Years, And **(2), Smt. S.Madhushree** (Mother), aged about 29 Years, both are residing at No.026, Phase 2 Bavisha Urban Homes, Sompura Gate, Sarjapura, B.Hosahalli, Handenahalli Post, Bengaluru - 562125, we have changed our minor daughter's name from **Haritha Manjunath** to **DAANVITA.M,** vide affidavit dated 23/3/2026 sworn to before K C Gowthami Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

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I, S.K. SIKINDAR BASHA S/o Khaja Mohiddin S.K, aged about 40 years, and Residing at No.08, 1st Main, 4th Cross, Near Old Gym Road, Maruthinagar, Yelahanka, Bengaluru North, have changed my name from **SIKINDAR BASHA** to **S.K. SIKINDAR BASHA,** vide affidavit dated 23/3/2026 sworn to before T C Thimmaraja Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Suman Yadav, Spouse of Yadav Krushna Kumar resident of 48/A Prabhu Nagar Society, Near Railway Station, Bajwa, Vadodar, Gujarat -391310 have changed my Name from **Suman Yadav to Suman Krushna Yadav** vide Affidavit Dated 23/03/2026 before K.V. Nanjaiah, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. Of India, Bengaluru.

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I, **JAGADEESH NAGESH SHETTY,** aged about 66 years, S/o. Nagesh Ramakrishna Shetti, residing at #FOF 501, Varaprada Sai Kuteera, 2nd Cross, Opp. Maple Bear School, Friends Colony, Subramanyapura, Bengaluru-560061, Karnataka have changed my name to **JAGADEESH SHETTY,** vide dated: 18-03-2026 Before Notary **MEER HASSAN,** Bangalore.

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I, **Naresh Jain** S/o. Shantilal Jain, Aged 42 years R/a 10 G4 Shankeshwara Emarald, Bull Temple, 'A' Cross Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018. That my Minor son **HARSHIL JAIN** In his Some records his name is entered as **HARSHIL.** In future for all records his name will be **HARSHIL JAIN (New name)** only. On behalf of my Minor son I sworn before Advocate and Notary K.C.Gowthami, Vijayanagar, Bangalore vide affidavit dt 22-03-2026

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I, **TAYAPPA. S,** S/o. SHARANAPPA, Aged about 27 years, Residing at No. 43, 2nd Main Road, 5th Cross, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru - 560 040, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **TAYAPPA. S** to **TARUN .S** vide affidavit dated 17.03.2026 sworn before H.S. Sakalesh Aradhya, Notary, Govt. of Karnataka, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SUJATHA NAGARAJA DEVADIGA,** aged about 46 years, W/o Sandesh Shriyan, residing at No. 007, Shreeniketan, Opp Green Field-I, Gubbalalagate, Indian Oil Petrol Bunk, Doddakallasandra, Bengaluru-560062, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SUJATHA DEVADIGA** to **SUJATHA NAGARAJA DEVADIGA,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SUJATHA NAGARAJA DEVADIGA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 21/03/2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **MAHESHA .J.J** at Bangalore.

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I, **PUSHPAVATHI SHESHADRI** (Old Name), aged about 48 years, W/o. CHANDRASHEKHAR MANDUR SHAMANNA, RESIDING AT NO,226, MANDUR VILLAGE AND POST, MANDUR, BANGALURU EAST, BENGALURU, KARNATAKA-560049, declare that I have changed my name from **PUSHPAVATHI SHESHADRI** (Old Name) to **PUSHPA CHANDRASHEKHAR** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **PUSHPA CHANDRASHEKHAR** (New Name) for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 17/03/2026 before Notary **GANGARAJU.B.N.** at BENGALURU

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I, VINEETH THALLURI, Residing at No: 186, 5th Cross, Prasanth Layout, Pattandur Agrahara, K. R. Puram, Bengaluru 560036, have changed my Name from **VINITH THALLU to VINEETH THALLURI** vide affidavit dated 23/03/2026 sworn bfore Notary A.Gerard, Bangalore.

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I, B SANTHOSH SHAGRITHAYA, S/o B N Balakrishna, Residing at No.223, Varshini Residency, 2nd Main, 3rd Cross, Behind Uttarahalli Lake, Spoorthinagar, Arehalli, Subramanyapura Post, Bangalore-560061, Karnataka, India, have changed my name from **B SANTHOSH SHAGRITHAYA** to **SANTHOSH SHAGRITHAYA B,** vide affidavit dated 23-03-2026 sworn before notary S N MADHU, Reg. No.10108 (GOI), Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **BANGALORE RAMACHANDRAIAH NAGARATHNA,** W/o. Muniswamappa Thimma Naik, Aged about 68 years, R/at No. 509, 4th Main, 3rd Block, HBR Layout, 1st Stage, Kalyananagar, Bangalore - 560 043, do hereby declare that my original name in Aadhar No. 9651 7958 9706 is **B.R NAGARATHNA,** whereas in the passport bearing No. Z3475300 issued on 21/06/2006 is **RAMACHANDRAIAH NAGARATHNA,** my correct name is to be entered as **BANGALORE RAMACHANDRAIAH NAGARATHNA W/o Muniswamappa Thimma Naik** vide affidavit dated 23.03.2026 sworn before Ramachandrappa .C, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, PRAKASH CHAND Son of Kewal Chand, aged 51 years, Residing at No. 105/1, Rishab Apartments, Kavi Lakshmisha Road, Canara Bank Apartment, Visveshwarapuram, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560 004, I declare that in my Passport my date of birth entered as **11-11-1975** by oversight and my correct date of birth is **28-01-1975,** vide affidavit dated 23/3/2026 sworn to befor P Anuradha Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Mrs. ESHWARIA, W/O. Mr. MADHU.K, AGED 36 YEARS, RESIDING AT No; 81, FIRST CROSS, FIRST MAIN, UTTARAHALLI MAIN ROAD, CANARA BANK COLONY, CHIKKALASANDRA VILLAGE, SUBRAMANYAPURA POST, BENGALURU SOUTH, BENGALURU DISTRICT, KARNATAKA-560 061, have changed my minor son's name from **"Saai Saathwik M"** to **"SAI HARI VARSHAN .M,** vide affidavit 23/3/2026 sworn to before P N Nagesha Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **WASEEM SHARIEF ASGER** (Old Name), S/o. ASGER SHARIEF, Residing at: No. 5, 1ST AND 2ND MAIN ROAD, 8TH CROSS, NEW BAGALUR LAYOUT, ST. THOMAS TOWN POST, BANGALORE-560084, HAVE CHANGED MY OLD NAME **"WASEEM SHARIEF ASGER"** TO NEW NAME **"WASEEM SHARIEF"** VIDE AFFIDAVITDATED 04-03-2026, BEFORE THE NOTARY **SIVAKUMARA M N,** BENGALURU METROPOLITAN AREA, FOR ALL OFFICIAL AND LEGAL PURPOSES.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, PADMASHREE RAJANNA, Residing at No: 1069, "ASHRAYA", 3rd Main, 5th Cross, K.N. Extension, Yeswanthapura, Bengaluru 560022, have changed my Name from **PADMAVATI RAJANNA to PADMASHREE RAJANNA** vide affidavit dated 05/02/2026 sworn bfore Notary A.Gerard, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MALLIKARJUN DHARWAD** (New Name) previously called **MALLIKARJUN SIDDAPPA DHARWAD,** doing Private Service and residing at #8/3, Dhanamande Road, KSVK School, Ramagondanahalli, Whitefield, BANGALORE-560066. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from **'MALLIKARJUN SIDDAPPA DHARWAD'** to **'MALLIKARJUN DHARWAD',** Vide Affidavit dated 23.03.2026, Sworn before Advocate and Notary A.M. Rajasekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAJESH SREENIVASAN POTTI** (Old Name) R/at A-303, RENAISSANCE TEMPLE BELLS No.25/1, Mahalakshmipuram, Bengaluru-560022 have changed my name to **RAJESH SREENIVASAN** (New Name) vide affidavit dated: 23/3/2026 Before Notary **Sivakumara M.N** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **DEEPAK KUMAR RAJ,** S/o Barendra Raj, R/at Vijay K S Building, Channasandra, Kadugodi, Near Puppet School, Whitefield, Bengaluru-560 067 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **TAPAN KUMAR RAJ** to **DEEPAK KUMAR RAJ,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **DEEPAK KUMAR RAJ** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 23-03-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **G. RAJENDRA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, ANURADHA BADEKKILA (Old Name), aged about 46 years, W/o. GIRIDHARA KAJE, RESIDING AT SORA 24, PHOENIX KESSAKU, NO.1, DR.RAJKUMAR ROAD, RAJAJINAGAR, BENGALURU-560010, KARNATAKA, declare that I have changed my name from **ANURADHA BADEKKILA** (Old Name) to **ANURADHA KAJE** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **ANURADHA KAJE** for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 23/03/2026 before Notary **GANGARAJU.B.N.** at BENGALURU

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Yadav Krushna Kumar, resident of 48/A Prabhu Nagar Society, Near Railway Station,Bajwa, Vadodar, Gujarat -391310 have changed my Name from **Yadav Krushna Kumar to Krushna Kumar Yadav** vide Affidavit Dated 23/03/2026 before K.V. Nanjaiah, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. Of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SUBASHINI MALLIKA EDWARD, Residing at Old No. 57, New No.06, Blessings, 1st Floor, Hutchins Road, St. Thomas Town, Bengaluru 5600084, have changed my Name from **SUBASHINI to SUBASHINI MALLIKA EDWARD** vide affidavit dated 07/03/2026 sworn bfore Notary A.Gerard, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
We **VANI D** and **S KRISHNA MURTHY,** both are residing at No. 445, 24th main, 2nd stage , 1st phase, BTM Layout, Bangalore-560076 hereby state that in my daughter **AAYUSHI K's** school record mother name is mentioned as **VANI KRISHNA MURTHY** instead of **VANI D** Father name is mentioned as **KRISHNA MURTHY** instead of **S KRISHNA MURTHY.** Names has been rectified as above vide affidavit dated 20-03-2026 before Notary H.S. Dharma Prasad, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **VADDE RAVI,** S/o Mr. Malakondaiah .P and Mrs. Ravanamma, age 39 years, R/at No.03, Dwarka Road, Nisarga Layout, 2nd Phase, Abbigere, Bangalore-560 090 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RAVI** to **VADDE RAVI,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **VADDE RAVI** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 18-03-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **R.S. VIJAY** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAVEESHKUMAR BHAT,** R/o E 0, S V Sowmya Orange Dew, Ayyappa Nagar, Gangothri Layout, Near Krishna Community Hall, 4th Block, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru-560 036 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RAVEESHKUMAR LAXMINARAYANA BHAT** (old name) to **RAVEESHKUMAR BHAT** (new name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **RAVEESHKUMAR BHAT** (new name) for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 23-03-2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **G. RAJENDRA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ARUN,** aged about 34 years S/o GOPAL KENCHI Resident at No.35/7A, 1st Main Ayyappa Layout Ambabhavani Temple Road Near Sambrama Engg. college Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru-560097 have changed my name to **ARUN KENCHI** vide affidavit dated.18.03.2026 Before Notary **L. Gopalakrishna** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHAZIA SHARIEF** (MENTIONED IN MY HUSBAND'S PASSPORT)And SHAZIA BANU A (MENTIONED IN MY SSLC MARKS CARD(Old Names), W/o. WASEEM SHARIEF, RESIDING AT: No. 5, 1ST AND2ND MAIN ROAD, 8TH CROSS, NEW BAGALUR LAYOUT, ST.THOMAS TOWN POST, BANGALORE-560084, HAVE CHANGED MY OLD NAMES **SHAZIA SHARIEF** and **SHAZIA BANU A** TO NEW NAME **"SHAZIA BANU SHARIEF"** VIDE AFFIDAVIT DATED12-03-2026, BEFORE THE NOTARY **SIVAKUMARA M .N,** BANGALORE METROPOLITAN AREA, FOR ALL OFFICIAL AND LEGAL PURPOSES.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHIVALILA HANGARAGI** Residing At: No. 08, 13th Cross Road, Sai Nilaya, Near Mount Carmel School, Shivareddy Layout, Naganathapura, Electronic City Post, Bangalore – 560 100 hereby state that in my daughter **HIRANMAYI SHIVANAND GADDI's** school record my name is entered as **SHIVALILA GADDI** instead of **SHIVALILA HANGARAGI.** Name has been rectified as above vide affidavit dated 21-03-2026 before Notary B. Chitra, Bangalore

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Rajavardan

A SHARADHAA

ACTOR Rajavardan has been off-screen for over a year, and the break appears deliberate. While there has been speculation around multiple projects, the actor has been quietly focusing on his next move. At a time when Kannada cinema is expanding into multiple languages, he is aiming beyond familiar territory with a Pan-Asia film, backed by a team that has spent years laying the foundation.

The move marks a significant turn for Rajavardan, son of veteran actor Dingri Nagaraj. Having headlined four films so far, he has consistently taken on offbeat subjects in an attempt to carve a space for himself. This upcoming venture signals the shift he has been working towards.

The project has already been set in motion, with its muhurtha held recently. Mounted by a collective of technicians who have reportedly been working on it for nearly five years, the film remains tightly under wraps, with details of the director and supporting cast yet to be revealed. The intent, however, is clear: to mount a film that matches the scale and reach of recent South Indian successes.

According to Rajavardan, films like *KGF: Chapter 1*, *Kantara*, or the upcoming *Toxic*, *Baahubali: The Beginning*, and *RRR* have redefined what Indian cinema can achieve globally. "These films serve as both reference points and motivation for us."

The actor says, "Every film I have done, from *Bichugatti* to *Gajarama*, has taught me a lesson in its own way. Last year, working as the Creative Head and producer on the film Kamal Sridevi gave me deep insights into the 'dos and don'ts' of the industry and business. As a student of Fine Arts, I consider myself a lifelong student of cinema. Everything I have done so far, every film and every task, has been a learning experience. I feel my true film journey begins now. This Pan-Asia film will be my dream, my path, and my goal. To be honest, I have pressed a reset button on my film journey, and it feels like my very first film because of the level of preparation involved. The project brings a highly talented team behind me, capable of making a world-class film. This is all I can share for now; I will reveal more details in the coming days."

With preparations nearing completion, an official announcement on the title and team is expected soon.

Booker Prize winner to develop series

CE FEATURES

BOOKER Prize-winning author Marlon James is set to collaborate with Motive Pictures, the producers of Prime Video's *Young Sherlock*, for two new series. James won the prize in 2015 for his novel A Brief History of Seven Killings.

According to reports, one of the series is a gory adventure called Marauders, set in the Caribbean Sea, during the Golden Age of Piracy. The other project is called The School, a geopolitical thriller that plays through the Americas. Jones' novel, A Brief History of Seven Killings, follows decades of tumultuous events in Jamaica, including the attempted assassination of Bob Marley.

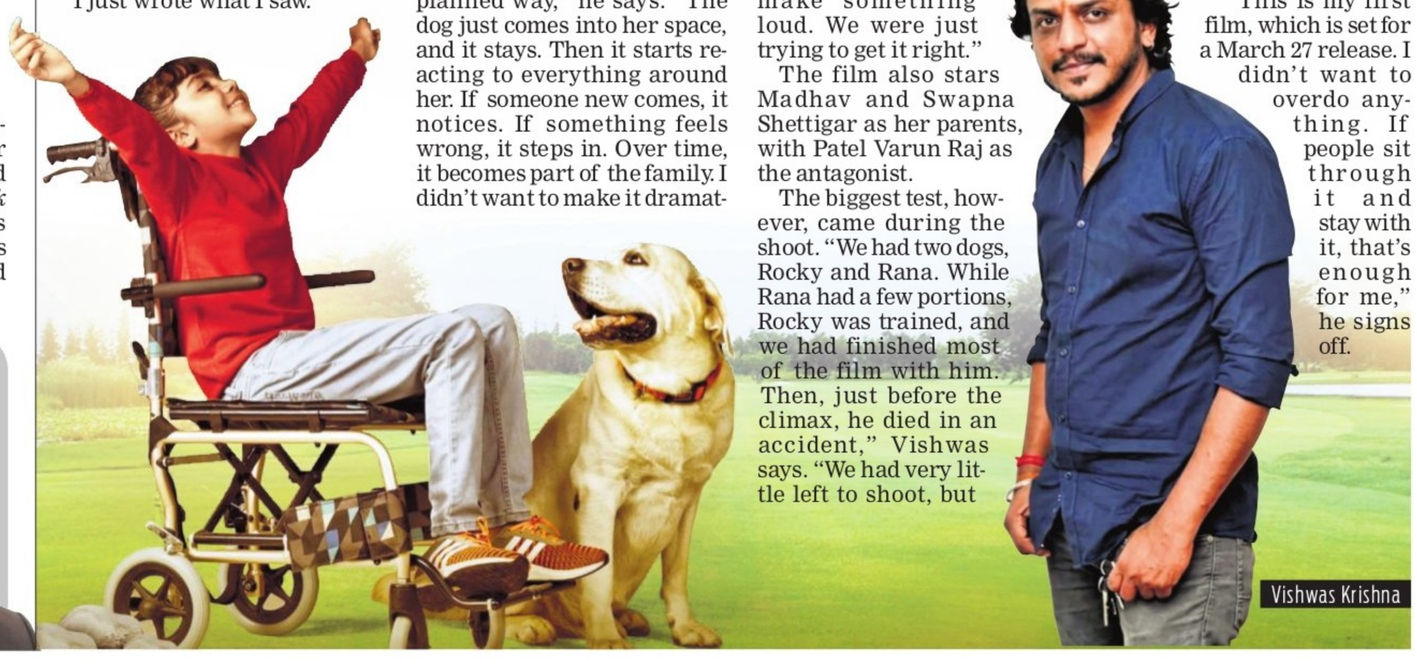
Young Sherlock, developed by Guy Ritchie and Peter Harness, premiered on Prime Video on March 4. Based on Arthur Conan Doyle's characters and Andrew Lane's *Young Sherlock Holmes* novel, the series follows a 19-year-old Sherlock Holmes and his adventures at Oxford University.

Yaava Mohana Murali Kareithu is more than just a pet film: Vishwas Krishna

CE FEATURES

FOR debut director Vishwas Krishna, *Yaava Mohana Murali Kareithu* did not begin as a script, it began as a habit.

"I used to go to this park regularly. There was a doctor who would bring her daughter in a wheelchair, and they always had a dog with them. I kept noticing one thing. The dog wouldn't run around or get distracted. It stayed close, always watching, like it had a responsibility. Even if nothing was happening, it wouldn't leave her side. I didn't immediately think I would make a film on it. But that stayed with me. After a point, I felt like I should not add too much to it. I just wrote what I saw."



Before stepping into direction, Vishwas spent years working behind the scenes, assisting on projects like *Dyavre*, *Diana House* and *Kadala Theerada Bhargava*.

"I was learning on set, watching how directors handle situations and how scenes are built. But somewhere, I knew I had to tell my own story. I didn't want to keep waiting. This film gave me that push."

The film centres on a specially-abled girl and a dog, but Vishwas avoids calling it a "pet film."

"They don't meet in a big, planned way," he says. "The dog just comes into her space, and it stays. Then it starts reacting to everything around her. If someone new comes, it notices. If something feels wrong, it steps in. Over time, it becomes part of the family. I didn't want to make it dramatic. This is how it happens in real life."

Even the title came from a feeling he could not ignore. "That line, *Yaava Mohana Murali Kareithu*, has a certain sadness. I kept going back to it while writing. I didn't sit and analyse it too much. It just felt right for the characters."

Talking about how producer Sharanappa Gouramma came on board, the director says, "He told me he was doing this for his daughter, Kumari Prakruthi. After that, everything became simple. We were not trying to make something loud. We were just trying to get it right."

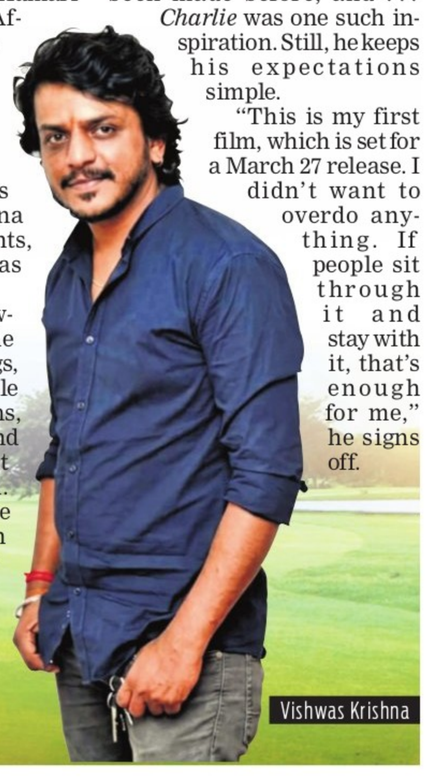
The film also stars Madhav and Swapna Shettigar as her parents, with Patel Varun Raj as the antagonist.

The biggest test, however, came during the shoot. "We had two dogs, Rocky and Rana. While Rana had a few portions, Rocky was trained, and we had finished most of the film with him. Then, just before the climax, he died in an accident," Vishwas says. "We had very little left to shoot, but we couldn't replace him. Rana was still a puppy, so we stopped everything and waited. It took nearly eleven months for Rana to grow up and match the portions. There was no shortcut."

Filming at Jog Falls during peak monsoon only added to the challenge. "With animals, you can't control anything fully. Some days they give you everything in one take. Some days, nothing works. You just have to wait and adjust."

Vishwas admits that films exploring the bond between humans and animals have been made before, and *777 Charlie* was one such inspiration. Still, he keeps his expectations simple.

"This is my first film, which is set for a March 27 release. I didn't want to overdo anything. If people sit through it and stay with it, that's enough for me," he signs off.



Vishwas Krishna

Sitaare Zameen Par gets streaming date

CE FEATURES

FOLLOWING a theatrical release last June and on YouTube on a pay-per-view basis, *Sitaare Zameen Par*, starring Aamir Khan, will stream on SonyLIV on April 3.

Previously, Aamir had stated that the film, directed by RS Prasanna, would not land on any OTT platform. But later changed his stance and said that he is open to releasing the film on streaming platforms, as he believes there is an audience.

Sitaare Zameen Par tells the story of a cynical and ill-mannered basketball coach, Gulshan (Aamir), who is ordained by the court to train a team of specially-abled young players. Billed as a spiritual sequel to the critically acclaimed *Taare Zameen Par* (2007), *SZP* also starred Genelia D'Souza in the lead cast, and marked the debut of ten actors, namely Aroush Datta, Gopi Krishna Varma, Samvit Desai, Vedant Sharma, Ayush Bhansali, Ashish Pendse, Rishi Shahani, Rishabh Jain, Naman Mishra, and Simran Mangeshkar. Divy Nidhi Sharma served as the scriptwriter for the film.

STRENGTH AND SENSIBILITY

KARTIK BHARDWAJ

DIVYA Dutta is an actor who can transition seamlessly between portraying vulnerability and strength. In the 2024 OTT film *Sharmsajee Ki Beti*, she plays a wife who gets a shock after seeing her husband with another woman when she goes to surprise him in a hotel room. But she doesn't confront him; she eavesdrops, trying to hold in her emotions. Later, she breaks down while sitting by the sea. Her cheating husband has lost not only her but also the right to see her at her lowest. In this minor scene, the actor is both vulnerable and strong. Or take a small scene in *Bhaag Milkha Bhaag* (2013) where she essays the role of Irshi, the titular athlete Milkha Singh's sister, and how years of her strength as a woman who survived the Partition breaks into happy tears when she sees her baby brother in a blazer boasting the National emblem.

In the recently released series *Chiraiya* (streaming on Disney+ Hotstar), Divya slips into the character of Kamlesh, the quintessential '*badi bahu*' (elder daughter-in-law). In an otherwise liberal joint family, she is a conservative woman who is towing the burden of patriarchy. So, when her pampered brother-in-law Arun (Sidharth Shaw) gets married to a young and progressive Pooja (Prasanna Bisht) she gets insecure of losing her status in the household. But when Pooja breaks down and tells her that Arun raped her on their first night, Kamlesh finds herself in a fix. Should she take a stand and dismantle the family she built?

In this conversation with Divya, we spoke to her about the impact of strong women in her own life, how shooting a marital rape scene left her disturbed for days, and how an Amitabh Bachchan fan like her had to be mean to the superstar when they first worked together.

Excerpts:

You have grown up around strong women. Your mother brought you up after your father's untimely demise, you have spoken about how no-nonsense your nani (grandmother) was and how three aunts of yours pampered you when you first came to Delhi. Do your characters reflect the attributes of these women?

All the time, but without me realising. I guess you're always influenced by who you're closest to, and these powerful women left a mark on me, especially in my childhood. But it is not just active, verbal advice. You also learn from the way they conducted themselves in their lives. And these women, petite, strong, and very sure of what they wanted, managed to come out of the crises they faced. That's the biggest learning.

Any inspiration you took from the women around you to portray Kamlesh?

I think Kamlesh represents the Indian woman we all find in ourselves. When I heard the character, I was totally sold because there are little parts of her in each one of us. There is a child in every one of us that needs to be protected and loved and nurtured, and she is also the woman who has the power in the house and who feels insecure when a new '*bahu*' comes in. She is the one dancing around the house when something suddenly happens, and she has to fight for what is right, and all of her established life is now at stake. It's a choice she makes, and her character arc is thus so relatable.

Previously, you did another short film called Sleeping Partner with Sanjay Kapoor, where you played a victim of marital rape...

Oh yes, you are right, I didn't think about it.

Is a film's theme often enough for you to agree to a project?

See, I don't choose by theme. I choose a story, and it attracts you more because it carries a certain responsibility. I remember when I did the short, and there was this harrowing scene where Sanjay Kapoor's character rapes me. I mean I was friends with Sanjay and it all went smoothly. I came home, but after three days, I started feeling very low. I went to the washroom and started crying, in fact, howling. And I wondered what just happened to me. I realised that subconsciously I had brought the character home. I had lived there for only two days; it was a short film, and it impacted me like this. I just thought about what happens to all those women who go through this every day. It's a role-play for me, but for them it's life. It's disturbing.

Has it happened again where you have brought the character home?

I recently shot for the film *Echoes of Valour*. It is a biopic of an Army woman, and it was a very heavy film. When I finished it, I didn't take on any work for 2-3 months. I just wanted to let be. I think it is important to let that process happen. If your body and mind are disturbed, if you have taken in more than you should have, you need time to recuperate.

Divya Dutta